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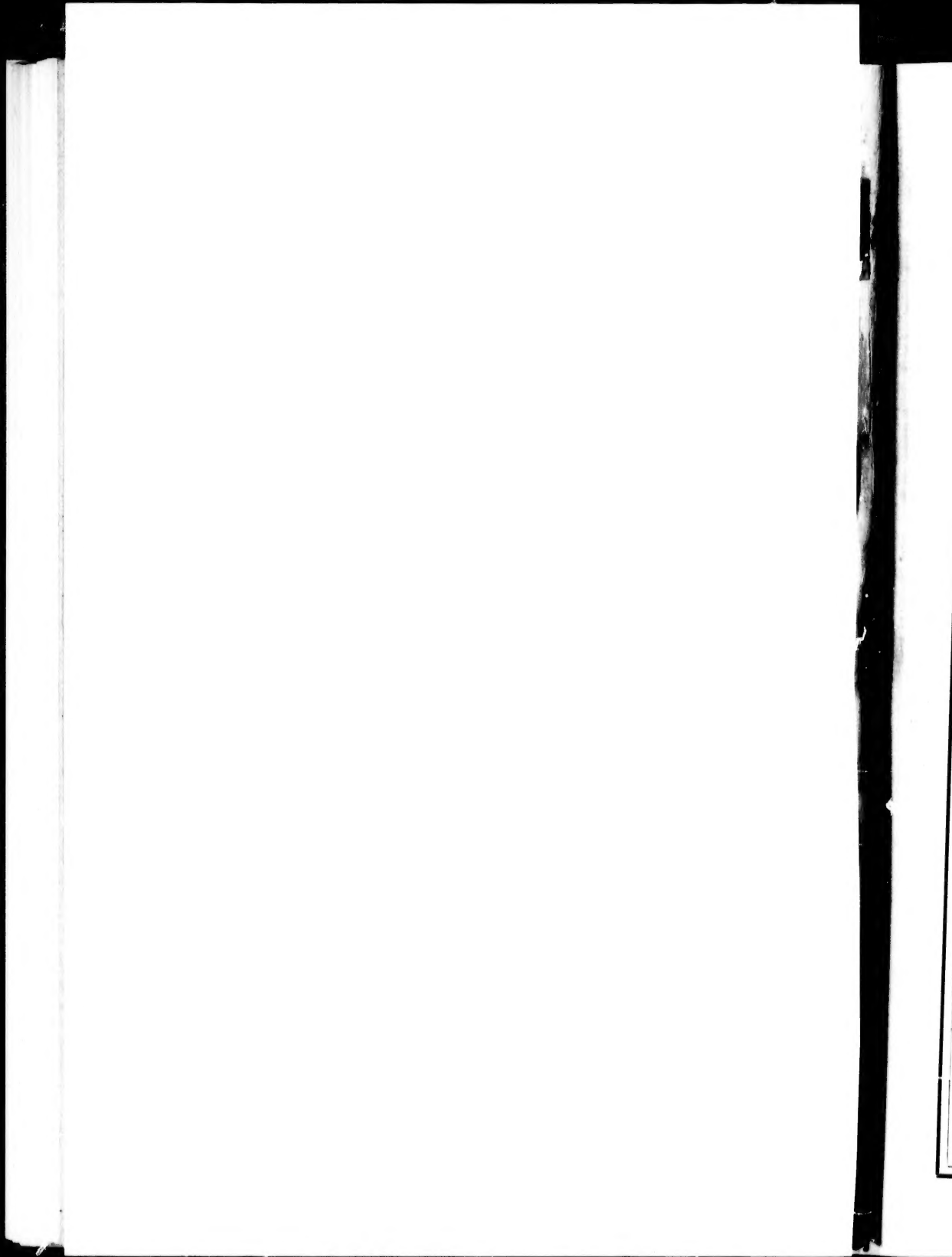
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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL,
NANAIMO, B. C., February 10th, 1892.

The Grand Lodge assembled at 2 o'clock p. m., pursuant to notice.

Present—

J. E. Phillips, (No. 4).....	Grand Master
J. E. Phillips, (No. 3).....	Deputy Grand Master.
J. Crossan	Grand Warden.
F. Davey	Grand Secretary.
T. C. Gray	" Treasurer.
H. Waller, P. G. M.....	" Representative.
B. W. Shiles, P. G. M.....	" "
A. G. Day	" Chaplain.
A. Henderson.....	Acting Grand Marshal.
M. Duffin.....	Grand Guardian.
B. Douglas	" Conductor.
R. Rivers.....	Acting Grand Herald.

The Grand Secretary reported a quorum present, and all present having been examined and found qualified, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, and the Grand Lodge was declared duly opened for business.

The Grand Master appointed F. Carne, P. G. M., D. Welsh, No. 13, and W. McColl, P. G. M., a committee on credentials.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report which was adopted:—

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.,

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS.—Your Committee on Credentials have examined the Credentials of the Representatives and beg to report that the following are accredited.

LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Victoria, No. 1.	F. Carne, P. G. M. W. E. Holmes. A. G. Day.	
Columbia, No. 2.	J. Pope. A. Henderson. P. W. Dempster.	S. Adler. F. Taylor. R. C. Fawcett.
New Westminster, No. 3.	J. P. Foulds. G. Cunningham.	R. F. Bonson. D. Douglas.
Dominion, No. 4.	G. Fowlie. G. Glover.	L. Cousins. W. Walker.
Black Diamond, No. 5.	G. Norris. R. Rivers.	E. Bone. G. Ramsay.
Harmony, No. 6.	R. Scott. J. A. Thompson.	J. Matthews. A. McDonald.
Excelsior, No. 7.	J. Peers.	S. A. Cawley.
Vancouver, No. 8.	W. E. Johnstone. T. F. Neelands.	E. C. Coulson. G. Pollay.
Tatnai, No. 9.	R. E. Smith.	E. T. W. Pearse.
Western Star, No. 10.	H. B. Gilmour. A. Parker.	W. J. Kirfoot. J. Mayther.
Union, No. 11.	W. Mitchell.	W. J. Young.
Selkirk, No. 12.	A. Penzer.	R. Gordon.
Royal City, No. 13.	D. Welsh.	W. H. Gardiner.

Also, that the following Past Grands are entitled to the Grand Lodge Degree :—

Victoria, No. 1,	C. Monk,	P. A. Phillips.
Columbia, No. 2,	R. C. Fawcett,	M. G. Blanchard.
New Westminster, No. 3,	D. Douglas.	
Dominion, No. 4,	G. Glover,	R. Drake.
Black Diamond, No. 5,	E. Bone,	G. Cavalsky.
Harmony, No. 6,	M. McDonald,	H. Mitchell.
	J. Matthews.	
Excelsior, No. 7,	J. McDonald.	
Vancouver, No. 8,	G. Pollay.	
Tatnai, No. 9,	R. E. Smith.	
Western Star, No. 10,	W. J. Kirfoot.	
Union, No. 11,		A. McKnight.
Selkirk, No. 12,		A. Penzer.
Royal City, 13,	R. Gordon,	
	W. H. Gardiner.	

Yours fraternally,

F. CARNE,
WM. MCCOLL,
D. WELSH,

Committee on Credentials.

The Grand Marshal reported the following Past Grands in waiting to receive the Grand Lodge Degree, but without the usual certificate. R. F. Bonson, No. 3; H. B. Gilmour, No. 10; and W. Mitchell, No. 11. Representatives present having vouched that these Brothers were properly qualified, it was Resolved: That the usual certificates be dispensed with in the case of these three Brothers, and that the Grand Lodge Degree be conferred on them.

The following Past Grands were admitted and received the Grand Lodge Degree:

D. Douglas, No. 3; R. F. Bonson, No. 3; G. Glover, No. 4; M. McDonald, No. 6; J. Peers, No. 7; T. F. Neelands, No. 8; G. Pollay, No. 8; W. E. Johnstone, No. 8; E. T. W. Pearse, No. 9; W. J. Kirfoot, No. 10; H. B. Gilmour, No. 10; W. Mitchell, No. 11; A. Penzer, No. 12.

The Roll having been called, all the Representatives were found to be present.

The Grand Master appointed the following to fill vacancies on Committees :

FINANCE.—R. F. Bonson, No. 3.

LAW OF SUBORDINATES.—W. E. Johnstone, No. 8; A. Penzer, No. 12.

PETITIONS.—W. Mitchell, No. 11; A. G. Day, No. 1; T. F. Neelands, No. 8.

STATE OF THE ORDER.—B. S. Douglas, No. 13.

LEGISLATION.—G. Glover, No. 4; P. W. Dempster, No. 2.

JUDICIARY.—H. B. Gilmour, No. 8; G. Fowlie, No. 4.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.—W. E. Holmes, No. 1; S. Adler, No. 2; J. Peers, No. 7.

The Grand Master read his report for the past year.

VICTORIA, B. C., 9th February, 1892.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.:

REPRESENTATIVES.—It is with much pleasure that I extend to you my fraternal greetings at this our Eighteenth Annual Session, and to present you my report for the year that is past. The increase of Lodges and members in this Province during my term of office far exceeds that of any previous year since the institution of this Grand Lodge. I am also pleased to be able to report that peace and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction, and every member appears to be willing to assist in the advancement of the Order, and I feel safe in saying that our institution ranks second to no other in the esteem of the public. I have never so fully realized the advantages of being connected with such a vast Brotherhood as ours as in the past year. For the great honor you conferred on me in electing me to the highest position in this Grand Lodge, and for the many kindnesses I have received during my term, allow me to extend to you and the entire membership of this jurisdiction, my hearty thanks. I trust that my successor may have a still more prosperous year to report when he vacates the chair.

PROCLAMATIONS.

Having received the following proclamations from the Grand Sire respecting the observance of the Anniversary of the Order, and of Memorial Day, I issued the Proclamations annexed to the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction.

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ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION.

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF THE I.O.O.F., }
 OFFICE OF THE GRAND SIRE. }

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting :

WHEREAS, the due and proper celebration of the twenty-sixth day of April as the Anniversary of Odd Fellowship in America, is sanctioned by immemorial custom, and is in observance of the standing resolution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Now, therefore, I, Charles M. Busbee, Grand Sire, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby recommend and enjoin upon all Grand and Subordinate Bodies under the jurisdiction of the Order to devote the twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1891, (or, as the twenty-sixth will fall on Sunday, the twenty-fifth or the twenty-seventh day of April, as may be selected,) the Seventy-Second Anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in America, to suitable and appropriate exercises in commemoration of the day, and to public thanksgiving to Almighty God for his manifold blessings vouchsafed to us, as an Order and as individuals, during the past year.

Done at the City of Raleigh, State of North Carolina, this the twenty-seventh day of February, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and of the Order, the seventy-second year.

C. M. BUSBEE,

Grand Sire.

[SEAL]

Attest :

THEO. A. ROSS,
 Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, I.O.O.F., }
 GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE, }

VICTORIA, B. C., 20th March, 1891.

*To all Lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of British
 Columbia, I.O.O.F.,*

GREETING :—

WHEREAS, the Grand Sire has issued his Proclamation in which he recommends all Grand and Subordinate Lodges to devote the twenty-sixth day of April, 1891, (or the 25th or 27th, as the 26th falls on a Sunday) to suitable and appropriate exercises in celebration of the Seventy-Second Anniversary of our Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph E. Phillips, Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. of the Province of British Columbia, do earnestly request the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction to carry out and respect the recommendation of the Grand Sire, by such observance of the day selected as may seem proper to them, and inasmuch as certain Lodges may desire to appear in Regalia, I do hereby grant permission to all Subordinate Lodges to wear the Regalia of the Order upon such celebration, subject to such restrictions as are prescribed by our Laws.

Fraternally,

JOS. E. PHILLIPS,

Grand Master.

Attest :

FRED. DAVEY,
 Grand Secretary.

MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION.

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF THE I.O.O.F., }
 OFFICE OF THE GRAND SIRE. }

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting :—

In compliance with the standing resolution of the

Sovereign Grand Lodge, I Charles M. Busbee, Grand Sire, do hereby request all Subordinate Lodges of the various jurisdictions of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, whose ranks have been invaded by death, to assemble on the second Tuesday of June next, being the 9th day of June, 1891, (or on such other day as may be more convenient), and engage in appropriate memorial services in memory of their deceased members.

Since the issuance of the last Memorial Proclamation, the Order has lost many of its prominent and representative members. Their names are hereto appended. They were men whose lives bore daily and willing tribute to the underlying principles of Odd Fellowship, and their names and virtues should ever be held in fragrant memory.

1. Australasia———MICHAEL KIDSTON, Past Grand Sire.
2. Alabama—September, 29th, 1890, JOHN P. SPENCE, Grand Representative; aged 43 years.
3. November 23rd, 1890, W. H. HOMER, Past Grand Representative; aged 66 years.
4. California—February 16th, 1891, PHILO WHITE, Past Grand Representative; aged 69 years.
5. March 24th, 1891, DAVID W. WELTY, Past Grand Representative; aged 69 years.
6. Colorado—March 13th, 1891, SAMUEL H. BRADLEY, Past Grand Representative; aged 73 years.
7. Florida—May 6th, 1890, GEORGE DAMON, Past Grand Representative; aged 77 years.
8. Georgia—February 25th, 1890, E. C. GRANNIS, Past Grand Representative; aged 73 years.
9. Illinois—December 20th, 1890, J. WARD ELLIS, Past Grand Representative; aged 62 years.
10. Indiana—March 16th, 1891, JOHN W. McQUIDDY, Past Grand Representative; aged 62 years.
11. Iowa—October 8th, 1890, THOMAS D. EVANS, Past Grand Representative; aged 81 years.
12. October 15th, 1890, JOHN VAN VALKENBURG, Past Grand Representative; aged 58 years.
13. Lower Provinces—March 17th, 1891, ANDRE CUSHING, Past Grand Representative; aged 71 years.
14. Maine—April 20th, 1890, WILLIAM H. SMITH, Past Grand Representative; aged 62 years.
15. August 16th, 1890, STEPHEN K. DYER, Past Grand Representative; aged 69 years.

16. January 23rd, 1891, CYRUS K. LADD, Past Grand Representative ; aged 71 years.
17. Manitoba—November 28th, 1890, THOMAS W. GILBERT, Grand Representative ; aged 40 years.
18. Maryland—April 3rd, 1891, ALEXANDER L. SPHAR, Past Grand Representative, and P. G. Treasurer ; aged 68 years.
19. Massachusetts—July 5th, 1890, CHARLES HAYDEN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 70 years.
20. Nevada—March 23rd, 1891, C. W. JONES, Past Grand Representative ; aged 57 years.
21. New Hampshire—October 5th, 1890, CHARLES H. BROWN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 76 years.
22. February 25th, 1891, JAMES F. HARTSHORN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 81 years.
23. March 9th, 1891, JAMES W. ODLIN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 78 years.
24. New Jersey—July 23rd, 1890, AARON B. CRANE, Past Grand Representative ; aged 56 years.
25. March 10th, 1891, SAMUEL N. ROCKHILL, Grand Representative ; aged 45 years.
26. March 13th, 1891, JOHN DUNHAM, Past Grand Representative ; aged 83 years.
27. New York—May 27th, 1890, GEORGE SNYDER, Past Grand Representative ; aged 63 years.
28. Ontario—November 26th, 1890, JAMES SMITH, Past Grand Representative ; aged 61 years.
29. Virginia—June 27th, 1890, EDWARD H. FITZHUGH, Past Grand Representative, and Past D. G. Sire ; aged 73 years.
30. Washington—December 30th, 1890, JOSIAH T. BROWN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 49 years.
31. West Virginia—March 7th, 1891, GEORGE BAIRD, Past Grand Representative ; aged 62 years.
32. Wisconsin—July 3rd, 1890, VOLNEY GREEN, Past Grand Representative ; aged 71 years.

Done at the City of Raleigh, State of North Carolina, U. S. A., this, the seventh day of April, A. D. 1891, and of our Order the seventy-second year.

C. M. BUSBEE,

Grand Sire.

[SEAL]

Attest :

THEO. A. ROSS,

Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, I.O.O.F., }
 OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER,

VICTORIA, B. C., 20th May, 1891.

*To all Lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of British
 Columbia, I.O.O.F*

GREETING :—

I am in receipt of a Proclamation of the Grand Sire, dated the 7th day of April, 1891, requesting the Subordinate Lodges of the various jurisdictions of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, to assemble on the 9th day of June, 1891, or on such other date as may be more convenient, and engage in appropriate memorial services in memory of their deceased members ; and, in compliance therewith I do hereby call on the Lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F., to carry out the wishes of the Grand Sire in this matter in a manner suitable to the occasion, and a Dispensation is hereby granted them to appear in public in Regalia, on the day selected by them for these exercises.

JOS. E. PHILLIPS,

Grand Master.

Attest :

FRED. DAVEY,

Grand Secretary.

I received with regret a notice from the Deputy Grand Sire, dated 1st July, 1891, announcing that he had assumed the duties of Grand Sire during the indisposition of the Grand Sire. Bro. Busbee having quite recovered from his illness was able, on the 4th January last, to resume the duties of his high office to the great satisfaction of the Order at large.

In accordance with the following Resolution of the last session of this Grand Lodge :—" That the incoming Grand Master and Grand Secretary submit a question to the Grand Sire for his decision, as to the ruling of the Grand Master

"at yesterday's Session, on the Amendment proposed by P. G. M. Waller, to the Subordinate Lodge Constitution;" the matter was laid before the Grand Sire to which the following reply has been duly received.

— SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF THE I.O.O.F., {
OFFICE OF THE GRAND SIRE.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 26th, 1891.

MR. JOS. E. PHILLIPS,

Grand Master, I.O.O.F., Victoria, B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—Your letter of May 7th would have been sooner answered but for my absence from town.

You submit for my opinion the following question :—
"A revised Constitution for Subordinate Lodges submitted by a Special Committee was under consideration, when it was moved by P. G. M. Waller (*vide page 866 of Proceedings*) to amend Section 1, Article V, by adding the words 'Lodges may be permitted by a two-thirds vote of the members present to confer the degrees in less than four weeks after initiation;' this motion on being submitted to the vote was declared to be lost. Bro. Waller, P. G. M., then moved to amend the same section by striking out the words 'four weeks' and inserting 'two weeks' in lieu thereof. The Grand Master ruled this amendment out of order under the following Rule of Order of the Grand Lodge (*vide page 895 of the Proceedings*). 'No more than two amendments to a proposition shall be entertained at the same time, that is an amendment, and an amendment to an amendment, and the question shall be first taken on the latter.'

In reply I would say that the ruling of the Grand Master was erroneous. The question under consideration was not even an amendment to an amendment. One amendment to wit, that the section be amended by adding certain words had

been submitted to a vote and lost. Thereupon another and distinct amendment was offered to the Section and the Grand Master ruled this amendment out of order. In that I think he committed an error.

I have answered your question because the matter was submitted to me by the action of your Grand Lodge. As to the effect of my decision, if it can be called a decision, I say nothing.

Fraternally Yours,

C. M. BUSBEE,

Grand Sire.

The direction of the last Session to prepare and forward a Memorial to the Sovereign Grand Lodge respecting the admission of members at 18 years of age, was attended to, but I am sorry to say the wishes of this jurisdiction have not been complied with, and this subject still remains unsettled.

In regard to the procuring a set of Regalia for Grand Lodge Officers ordered last Session, I would recommend that in view of the great difference in prices that the amount to be expended should be named by this Grand Lodge.

Received the following communication from Lt.-Gen'l J. C. Underwood, Past Grand Sire.

PATRIARCHS MILITANT, I. O. O. F., }
ARMY HEADQUARTERS.

CHICAGO, Ill, Exchange Building, July 3th, 1891.

GRAND MASTER JOS. E. PHILLIPS,

Victoria, British Columbia.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—I desire an official expression of your opinion as to the advisability of making the condition for obtaining and holding membership in the

Patriarchs Militant Degree more liberal, by changing the present requirement so as to include "Scarlet Degree" members of the Order. Such a change would undoubtedly superinduce a large increase in the membership of the Patriarchs Militant and work a great advantage to the Subordinate Lodge branch of the Order, without injuring the Encampments. The adjunct influence of the Militant Degree is often lost, because of the greater expense required to place a young man not a member of the Order, in a condition to obtain it, as compared with similiar requirements of other secret societies. Oblige me with a frank and concise opinion at your earliest convenience.

Truly and Fraternally,

JNO. C. UNDERWOOD, L. G.

In reply I informed him that in my opinion although it might prove beneficial to Subordinate Lodges it would injure the Encampment Branch. I advised him instead, to enlarge the area of his recruiting grounds by admitting the flower of our youth at 18 years of age.

Received a communication from the Grand Master of Washington, enclosing a claim from the General Relief Committee, of Seattle, on Dominion Lodge, No. 4, Victoria, for \$90, nine week's Sick Benefits advanced to Bro. Cowan, a member of said Lodge. Requested and obtained an explanation from 'Dominion' Lodge, No 4, from which it appears that the Brother did not report himself to the Committee during his sickness, but furnished a medical certificate after his recovery, on the strength of which the Committee paid the benefits, without reference to the Lodge, and on these grounds the Lodge declines to pay. Furnished the Grand Master of Washington with a copy of the statement of Dominion Lodge, since which have received no further communication.

APPEALS.

Bro. Bredemeyer of Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, appealed to me against the action of the above Lodge in refusing to accept his nomination for the office of Vice Grand, on the ground of his being elected as Permanent Secretary for one year.

Called on Lodge to furnish a statement of facts, copy of minutes and statement of Bro. Bredemeyer's services. Having received this information and satisfied myself that the brother was fully eligible and not disqualified by any reason, I sustained his appeal, declared the election of Vice Grand null and void and directed the Lodge to hold a fresh election for that office, and to include the name of Bro. Bredemeyer amongst the candidates with those in nomination at the previous election. This direction was complied with and the Lodge now appeals to this Grand Lodge against my action.

Bro. Edmunds appealed against the decision of D. D. G. M., District No. 7, in granting dispensation to Tatnai Lodge, No. 9, to elect a third degree member to the office of Noble Grand, all qualified members refusing to serve. I sustained the D. D. G. M., Bro. E. T. W. Pearse, power being conferred on him to do so by Art. 6, Sec. 3, Constitution Subordinate Lodges.

INSTITUTIONS.

April 23d, 1891, commissioned as Special Deputy Grand Master, Bro. W. McColl, P. G. M., to institute Mizpah Rebekah Lodge, No. 2, Vancouver.

July 20th, 1891, commissioned as Special Deputy Grand Master, Bro. H. Waller, P. G. M., to institute Miriam Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, at Nanaimo.

Aug. 6th, 1891, accompanied by Bros. H. Waller, P. G. M., J. Pope, P. G., and Sisters Mrs. Waller and Mrs. Carne, I proceeded to Chilliwack and dedicated a new and hand-

somely furnished hall. The brethren of Excelsior Lodge, No. 7, deserve great credit for their enterprise.

The dedicating ceremonies being concluded, Bro. H. Waller assisted by Bro. Pope, Sister Carne and Sister Waller, in a very able manner conferred the Degree of Rebekah on 19 brothers and sisters

After recess instituted Ruth Rebekah Lodge, No. 4, and installed the Officers, and I predict for that Lodge a grand future. Our business over we were banqueted at the Grand Hotel, Bro. Webb, D. D. G. M., P. G. Henderson, and P. G. Peers, and all the members in Chilliwhack treated us royally, and their kindness will long be remembered.

Nov. 9th, 1891, accompanied by Bros. Waller, P. G. M., Meldram, P. G. M., Sisters Walier, Carne, Dempster, Meldram, and Grand Instructor Sister Bishop, of Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, instituted Beulah Rebekah Lodge, No. 5, at New Westminster, which started with a large number of members. With the assistance of the above named Brothers and Sisters the Degree of Rebekah was ably conferred on several applicants.

Nov. 14th, 1891, instituted Acme Lodge, No. 14, at Victoria, assisted by Bros. J. E. Phillips, D. G. M., F. Davey, G. S., T. C. Gray, G. T., and other members of the Victoria Lodges. This Lodge has already a large membership. I think their prospects are good to become a strong and prosperous Lodge.

Dec. 10th, 1891, instituted Cloverdale Lodge. No. 15, Cloverdale, in company with H. Waller, P. G. M., from Victoria, and about 30 brothers from New Westminster, among whom were P. G. Welsh, D. D. G. M., District No. 2; W. McColl, P. G. M., B. W. Shiles, P. G. M., and J. E. Phillips, D. G. M., to whom I feel grateful for assistance. There were five Charter Members, initiated and conferred the 3 Degrees on 16, making a total membership of 21. I in-

formed the brothers that their hall was not a proper place to hold their meetings, and was informed that they intend to hold their meetings in the school house.

Jan. 5th, 1892, commissioned as Special Deputy, Bro. Hawley, of Selkirk Lodge, No. 12, to institute Kootenay Lodge, No. 16. This Lodge was instituted on the 22nd January, 1892.

Jan. 23rd, instituted Duncan Lodge, No. 17, assisted by that untiring and hard worker, Bro. H. Waller, P. G. M., (to whom I am specially indebted for valuable assistance given me during my term of office,) and about 16 other members of the Victoria Lodges, also several Brothers from Nanaimo. Nine Charter Members and 3 initiated. After instituting and installing the officers we retired to the present N. Grand's, Bro. Dickie's, where we sat down to a banquet, and a most sociable evening was spent.

There has been considerable correspondence in regard to the formation of other Lodges in this Province.

I recommend that this Grand Lodge grant Charters to the above named Lodges.

INSTALLATIONS.

July 6th, 1891, installed the Officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

July 8th, 1891, installed the Officers of Columbia Lodge, No. 2.

July 9th, 1891, installed the Officers of Dominion Lodge, No. 4.

July 28th, 1891, installed the Officers of Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1.

Jan. 4th, 1892, installed the Officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

Jan. 6th, 1892, installed the Officers of Columbia Lodge, No. 2.

Jan. 7th, 1892, installed the Officers of Dominion Lodge, No. 4.

Jan. 11th, 1892, installed the Officers of Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1.

DISPENSATIONS.

May 5th, 1891, to New Westminster Lodge, No. 3, to hold an Excursion in the name of the Order, and to wear Regalia in public

July 28th, 1891, to New Westminster Lodge, No. 3, and Royal City Lodge, No. 13, to hold an Excursion and appear in public in Regalia, on the 4th August, 1891.

Aug. 20th, 1891, to Victoria Lodge, No. 1 ; Columbia Lodge, No. 2 ; and Dominion Lodge, No. 4 ; to hold an Excursion in the name of the Order, and wear Regalia in public, on 22nd August, 1891, on which occasion I accompanied the brethren to Seattle. On our arrival we were waited on by members of the Lodges in that city, who hospitably entertained us. I think that those Excursions are most beneficial to the Order.

July 29th, 1891, to Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, and Western Star Lodge, No. 10 to hold an excursion and appear in Regalia, 4th August, 1891.

September 28th, 1891, to Union Lodge, No. 11, to hold Anniversary ball and supper on 16th October, and to wear Regalia.

October 29th, 1891, to Selkirk Lodge, No. 12, to hold ball on 27th November, and wear Regalia.

November 30th, 1891, to Tatnai Lodge, No. 9, to hold ball and wear Regalia, on December 4th

January 15th, 1892, to Acme Lodge, No. 14, to confer 3rd Degree on Bro. J. McLennan, in less time than allowed by law. I did this in the absence of the D. D. G. M.

January 7th, 1892, to Dominion Lodge, No. 4, to ballot for and if elected, initiate and confer the 3 Degrees on 12 persons, applicants for charter, at Duncans.

SPECIAL PERMISSIONS.

Dec. 10th, 1891, received a communication from Ridgley Lodge, No. 12, Butte, Montana, asking permission to solicit aid in this jurisdiction to liquidate a debt on their property. The merits of the case did not justify me in granting such permission. Notwithstanding this refusal, the said lodge did apply to lodges in this jurisdiction for aid. I thereupon reported their action to the Grand Master of Montana.

Refused Columbus Lodge, No. 24, Algiers, Louisiana, permission to apply to subordinate lodges in this jurisdiction for help to build a hall.

Refused May Lodge, No. 10, Stark, Florida, permission to appeal to lodges in this jurisdiction for aid to rebuild their hall, that had been destroyed by fire.

Granted permission to Lynden Lodge, Wash., No. 71, to initiate C. Packard and A. Broe, residents of British Columbia, but residing within $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles of Lynden, but 35 miles from nearest lodge of this jurisdiction.

Refused Lynden Lodge, No. 71, Lynden, Washington, permission to initiate two persons, residents of British Columbia, since Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15, was instituted; however, I have asked for further information, and if those persons reside much nearer Lynden, and after getting consent from Cloverdale Lodge, I would recommend that permission be granted by my successor.

QUESTIONS.

1. It is competent for a Lodge to review and set aside

a ballot before the result is announced on the fact being brought to its notice that members had voted who were not legally qualified to do so.

2. A lodge cannot elect a member to any office who has not received the third degree.

3. The Noble Grand is the only person authorised to communicate the A. T. P. W., or in his absence the Vice Grand. A Past Grand has no right to receive it from a visiting brother or to communicate it to a member.

4. The Grand Master has no power to grant a dispensation to hold the installation of officers on the last regular meeting night of a term.

5. It is not necessary to ask any P. G. of a lodge to accept the office of N. G. before electing a Scarlet Degree member to that office, all qualified brothers having declined to serve.

6. The Grand Master is not empowered to grant dispensations to install officers at special meetings of lodges.

A number of questions have been submitted which are fully covered by the digest or the local law.

I declined to answer questions submitted by individual members.

On receiving news of the fire at New Westminster, which destroyed their beautiful hall, involving a great loss to the brethren of that city, I immediately telegraphed the lodges, extending to them the sympathy of this Grand Lodge in their misfortune. I am pleased to learn that in all probability a much finer building will shortly be erected to replace the one destroyed.

I cannot close this report without calling the attention of this Grand Lodge to the inadequate remuneration paid to our Grand Secretary. We are continually increasing in lodges and members; this involves a greater amount of work for this officer, and I think the time has arrived when this Grand Lodge can afford to pay him sufficiently for his ser-

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vices. I take this opportunity to thank Bro. Davey for the assistance he has rendered me during the past year.

Appended are the reports of my District Deputies, which I approve with very few exceptions, as noted thereon.

Allow me in conclusion to again thank you for the high honor you conferred on me one year ago in electing me to this high and honorable position. I have endeavored to perform the duty attached to the office, to the best of my ability, and trust that I have given you satisfaction. We have cause for congratulation in the strides our beloved order has made in the past, the future is full of encouragement; may our hopes in this direction be fully realized. In resigning this trust again to you, and retiring from this Chair, I do so with a determination to still continue my work for the Order. The year that has gone has increased my love for this Order, and the remembrance of the work I have been engaged in and the success that has attended it, will ever be cherished as a bright spot in my memory.

I remain, dear sirs and brothers,

Yours fraternally,

JOSEPH E. PHILLIPS,

Grand Master.

Resolved, That the Report be received and handed to a committee of three to distribute the same to the different committees.

The following Committee on Distribution was appointed: H. Waller, P.G.M., W. McColl, P.G.M., and F. Carne, P.G.M.

VICTORIA, B. C., February 5th, 1892.

J. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I beg leave to furnish you with a report of my official acts as your D. D. G. M. of District No. 1:

1. March 3rd, granted to Columbia Lodge, No. 2, permission to confer the 3 Degrees upon Bro. E. Erickson, in less time than the law allows.

2. June 29th, Victoria Lodge, No. 1, submitted the following question to me.

“Is it necessary for a Noble Grand to be present in the lodge room a majority of nights of a term, in order to be entitled to the honors of the office.”

To which I gave the following answer; “Unless an officer is present in the lodge room a majority of meeting nights of his term (unless excused from sickness) he is not entitled to the honors of his office.”

3. September 9th, granted to Columbia Lodge No. 2, permission to confer the three Degrees upon Bro. W. B. Skillan in less time than required by law.

4. November 12th, granted to Dominion Lodge, No. 4, permission to confer the three Degrees upon Bro. A. Smith in less time than required by law.

5. November 20th, granted to Acme Lodge, No. 14, permission to confer the three Degrees upon the following 19 brothers, in less time than the law requires, on account of the Lodge being newly instituted; D. J. Thompson, C. Chislett, W. W. Pearson, J. Morrison, R. Kay, C. G. L. Reid, J. F. Beek, E. Dickenson, J. A. Clarke, J. B. Tubman, W. Howes, J. M. Campbell, F. Hales, T. E. Waller, F. R. Noyes, C. Bone and R. Ledingham.

6. January 7th, 1892, Acme Lodge, No. 14, submitted the following questions for my decision :

1. Q. "Can a lodge draft its own application forms, or are they compelled to use the ones that are being used here now."

A. "A lodge may draft its own, providing they comply with the constitution."

2. Q. "Whether it is legal for a lodge not to hold its regular meeting on Xmas day."

A. "It is legal for a lodge or encampment to omit meeting on Xmas day, or any other legal or established holidays."

I am also very pleased to report that the four lodges in this district are flourishing and in a satisfactory condition.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Fraternally yours,

W. E. HOLMES,

D. D. G. M., District No. 1.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 23rd, 1892.

JOSEPH E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master G. L. of B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I beg to submit for your approval a report of my acts as your District Deputy for District No. 2, for the past year:

On April the 16th, 1891, I installed the Noble Grand and Vice Grand of Royal City Lodge, No. 13, a new election to these offices having been caused by resignation.

May 31st, P. G. Bro. Geo. Robinson, of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3, submitted the following question for my decision :

"Is it lawful or constitutional for New Westminster Lodge No. 3, to pay bills without the finance committee having first reported on them.

My decision was "they cannot do so as it would be a violation of Article XII, of their by-laws.

July 2nd, I installed the officers of Royal City Lodge, No. 13.

July 8th, installed the officers of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3.

November 12th, granted a dispensation to Royal City Lodge, No. 13, to confer the three Degrees in one night on Bros. B. B. Smith, Wm. McDonagh, Wm. Murphy, and Jas. Murray, for the purpose of inaugurating Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15.

December 15, granted a dispensation to Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15, to confer the three Degrees on several brothers in less time than required by law, as they wished assistance and instruction from brothers from New Westminster.

January 14th, 1892, installed the officers of Royal City Lodge, No. 13.

January 22nd, 1892, installed the officers of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3.

In all the installation ceremonies during the year I was ably assisted by P. G. M. Wm. McColl, P. G. M. B. W. Shiles and D. G. M. J. E. Phillips, and permit me to say in this connection that the utmost harmony and good feeling has prevailed between the lodges and amongst the brothers, and while the increase in membership has not been large it has been substantial, the object being more to get good material than to swell the numbers, but on the whole Odd-fellowship in this district has moved onward. One new lodge having been formed which now numbers about fifty members, also a Rebekah Degree Lodge now in a flourishing

condition and increasing membership. But we have also had our seasons of difficulty and trial. The destruction by fire of the beautiful hall owned by New Westminster Lodge, No. 3, was a serious inconvenience and draw back to both lodges, for, while the principal loss was sustained by No. 3, No. 13 was seriously crippled for a time by the loss of all her books and paraphernalia. No. 3 has also been called to perform the last sad rites for two of its time-honored members, Bro. Edwards and Bro. McIntosh, both respected members of the Order, and held in high esteem by the community at large, and whose memories will long be cherished by their brethren.

Respectfully submitted in F. L. and T.,

D. WELSH,

D. D. No. 2.

NANAIMO, B. C., January 13th, 1892.

J. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master, G. L. B. C., I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I beg leave to place the following report before you as your D. D. G. M. for District No. 3:

April 22nd, granted a dispensation to Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, to initiate A. Hall in less time than required by law. (*not required.*)

July 8th, 1891, assisted by P. G. George Norris, installed the officers of Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, in regular form.

August 12th, 1891, granted a dispensation to Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, to initiate W. H. McLellan in less time than required by law. (*not required.*)

January 5th, 1892, assisted by P. Grands G. Norris, James Crossan, E. Quennell and George Cavalsky, installed

the officers of Miriam Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 3, in regular form.

January 6th, 1892, assisted by P. Grands G. Norris, Matthew Duffin, Henry McAdie, B. Baker, installed the officers of Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, in regular form.

I am pleased to report that Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, is in a prosperous condition.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,
Yours in F. L. and T.,
ROBERT RIVERS,
D. D. G. M., District No. 3.

WELLINGTON, February 10th, 1892.

J. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,
Grand Master, G. L. B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I have much pleasure in furnishing you with a report of my actions for the year as your D. D. for District No. 4 :

July, 1891, installed the officers, assisted by Brothers Kilpatrick and McDonald ; also January, 1892, installed the officers.

I have much pleasure in being able to state that Harmony Lodge is in a very prosperous condition, especially the last half of the year, and with good prospects for the future.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,
Yours in F. L. and T.,
J. A. THOMPSON.

CHILLIWHACK, B. C., Feb. 5th, 1892.

J. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,
Grand Master, G. L. of B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I have the honor to present to

you the report of my official acts during my term of office, hoping it will not be too late :

On February 28th, 1891, I granted a dispensation to elect a Scarlet Degree member to the office of N. G., all P. G.'s having declined to act, and afterward installed the brother elected.

On July 14th, 1891, I installed the officers of Excelsior Lodge into their respective Chairs, with the exception of N. G., who was absent. N. G. elect not presenting himself for installation for some time, I ordered a new election for N. G. P. Grands declining to act, I granted a dispensation to elect a Scarlet Degree member, who was elected and installed in regular form.

On August 4th, 1891, I granted a dispensation for public dedication of Excelsior Hall.

On August 6th, 1891, Grand Master, Brother J. E. Phillips, with P. G. M. Waller and Brother P. G. Pope, publicly dedicated our hall, also instituted a Rebekah Degree Lodge.

On January 5th, 1892, I installed the officers into their respective chairs, with the exception of Treasurer, who has not yet presented himself for installation. Excelsior Lodge is steadily increasing in new members, but the old members take very little interest in the lodge.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours in F. L. and T.,

H. WEBB,

D. D. G. Master, District No. 5.

VANCOUVER, January, 29th, 1892.

JOSEPH E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Most Worthy Grand Master, I.O.O.F.,
British Columbia.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I beg to present to you the following report, as your District Deputy for District No. 6, during the past year :

January 29th, 1891, granted dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer two degrees on Bro. F. J. Painton in one night

March 12th, 1891, granted dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer two degrees on Bro. A. Anderson in one night.

April 16th, 1891, granted dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer two degrees on Bro. J. H. Taylor in one night.

May 21st 1891, granted dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer three degrees on Bros. F. Clutterbuck, H. Andrews and H. Edwards in one night ; also to confer two degrees on Bro. Dr. Brydone-Jack.

July 2nd, 1891, installed the officers of Western Star Lodge, No. 10.

July 3rd, 1891, installed the officers of Vancouver Lodge, No. 8.

July 23rd, 1891, granted dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer two degrees on Brothers A. G. Coldwell, M. Cole, R. A. Moscrop and C. Mylius in one night.

Sept 1th, 1891, granted dispensation to Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, to confer two degrees on Bro. J. Cates in one night.

October 9th, 1891, granted dispensation to Vancouver

Lodge No. 8, to confer two degrees on Bro. W. Hamilton in one night.

October 30th, 1891, granted dispensation to Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, to confer two degrees on Bros. A. Elliott and S. Leslie in one night.

December 18th, 1891, granted dispensation to Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, to confer two degrees on Bro. John Davidson in one night.

January 7th, 1892, installed the officers of Western Star Lodge, No. 10.

January 8th, 1892, installed the officers of Vancouver Lodge, No. 8.

I am pleased to state to you the lodges in this district are in a prosperous condition.

I have the honor to be, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

WM. HOGG, D. D. G. M.,

District No. 6.

KAMLOOPS, B. C., 29th January, 1892.

J. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master I. O. O. F.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I have the honor to present to you the following report of my official acts as your Deputy during the past term :

February 16th, 1891, granted a dispensation to confer three degrees in one night on Bro. Geo. Reusch.

May 11th, 1891, granted a dispensation to ballot on Bro. D. G. Sutherland's application for degrees on the same night as he receives initiation.

May 25th, 1891, granted a dispensation to elect Bro. R. E. Smith, N. G., all eligible brothers having declined.

June 6th, 1891, granted a dispensation to confer three degrees in one night on Bro. S. Appleby.

July 13th, 1891, installed the officers of Tatnai Lodge, No. 9.

August 3rd, 1891, granted a dispensation to Western Star Lodge, No. 10, to confer two degrees in one night on Bro. D. G. Sutherland of this lodge; that lodge having applied to me for such dispensation.

(Not approved. Should apply to their own D. D. G. M.)

September 28th, 1891, granted a dispensation to confer two degree in one night on Bros. Morrison and Nelson.

January 11th, 1892, installed the officers of Tatnai Lodge, No. 9.

January 18th, 1892, granted a dispensation to wear regalia at the funeral of Bro. Edmunds. (*not required.*)

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours in F. L. and T.,

E. T. W. PEARSE,

D. D. G. M. No. 7.

UNION, B. C., February 2nd, 1892.

JOS. E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master, I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I beg leave to present to you my report, subject to your approval, of my actions as your District Deputy for District No. 8 :

July 3, 1891, assisted by P. G. Turnbull, of Nova Scotia, I installed the officers of Union Lodge, No. 11, into their respective chairs in regular form.

August 7th, granted a dispensation to confer the second and third degrees in one night on Bro. Alfred Pearse, he on account of his occupation not being able to attend regularly.

January 8th, 1892, I installed the officers elect of Union Lodge, No. 11, into their respective chairs.

I am very pleased to report Union Lodge, No. 11, as steadily prospering, the members working steadily and harmoniously together, having in view the grand principles of our order. We have had no benefits to speak of to pay since the lodge was organized, and our financial sheet will compare favorable with lodges that have ten years the start of us. We expect to be in our new hall by March 30th, 1892, and hope that the end of 1892 may see our membership greatly increased.

I beg to remain,

Yours in F. L. and T.,

GEORGE W. CLINTON,

D. D. G. M. District No. 8.

DONALD, B. C., January 27th, 1892.

JOSEPH E. PHILLIPS, Esq.,

Grand Master G. L. B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—I have the honor to forward to you the following report of my actions as your D. D. G. M. for District No. 9.

On March 12th, 1891, granted a dispensation to Selkirk Lodge, No. 12, to confer two degrees in one night on Bro. Wm. Chandler.

March 19th, 1891, granted a dispensation to confer three degrees in one night on Bro. Jas. Armstrong.

March 7th, 1891, installed the newly elected Vice-Grand.

July 16th, 1891, installed the officers of Selkirk Lodge, No 12.

Sept. 5th, 1891, granted a dispensation to confer three

degrees in one night on Bro. Wm. Bell Campbell in less time than is required by law.

October 22nd, 1891, received an application from Selkirk Lodge, No 12, for dispensation to hold their second annual ball on November 27th; and to wear regalia at the same.

Dispensation granted by Grand Master.

January 7th, 1892, granted a dispensation to confer three degrees in one night on Bro. H. Corrigan.

January 7th, 1892, installed the officers of Selkirk Lodge, No. 12.

Yours fraternally,

ROBERT GORDON,

D. D. G. M. District No. 9.

The Grand Secretary presented and read his report, which was, on motion, received and handed to the Committee on Distribution.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

VICTORIA, B. C., 8th February, 1892.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.,

DEAR SIRs AND BROTHERS.—It affords me much pleasure to present you with a report of this office for the year 1891, and to be able to point to the satisfactory progress the Order has made in this jurisdiction during that period.

Since we last met four Subordinate Lodges have been instituted, Acme Lodge, No. 14, Victoria; Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15, Cloverdale; Kootenay Lodge, No. 16, Nelson; and Duncan Lodge, No. 17, Duncan. The two latter have been instituted since 31st December last, so that their membership is not included in this report.

I have also received, through Bro. E. T. W. Pearse, D.

D. G. M. District No. 7, the Charter Fee and an application for a Charter for a lodge to be located at Vernon, but as it was not accompanied by the cards of the members, I have written to the applicants pointing out the requirements of the law and expect shortly to receive the requisite cards.

Four Rebekah Lodges have also been instituted during the year : Mizpah Lodge, No. 2, Vancouver ; Miriam Lodge, No. 3, Nanaimo ; Ruth Lodge, No. 4, Chilliwack ; and Beulah Lodge, No. 5, New Westminster. I regret I am unable to furnish you with information as to the aggregate membership, &c., of these lodges, owing to the failure of Ruth Lodge, No. 4 and Beulah Lodge, No. 5, to forward their reports.

I am sorry to again have to complain of the unnecessary delay of some of the Subordinate Lodges in forwarding me their reports at the proper time, causing me considerable inconvenience in compiling my report. Excelsior Lodge, No. 7, sent me its annual Relief Report in an incomplete state so that I had to return it for correction, but although sufficient time has elapsed, it has not yet been returned. I am therefore prevented from presenting you with an accurate report on the matter of Relief, &c., paid.

By the institution of the two lodges since 1st January last, and from letters I have received, I feel confident our membership at this date cannot be less than 1,500.

The increase of 228 in the membership in the past year, has been contributed to by all the lodges in the jurisdiction with but one exception.

The instruction of last session to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary to submit a question to the Grand Sire as to the ruling of Grand Master Quennell, was complied with, the answer of the Grand Sire will be communicated by the Grand Master.

A memorial was prepared and forwarded to the Sove-

reign Grand Lodge, urging the admission of members at 18 years of age, but the desired legislation was not effected.

The direction to procure a new set of regalia for the Grand Lodge Officers, has not been carried out for the reason that no price was named, nor any appropriation made, and as there is so great a disparity in the prices of regalia, your officers would ask that you would stipulate the amount to be expended for this service.

The recommendation of the Special Committee on Constitutions, etc., at page 847, Proceedings of last session, have been complied with, and 1000 copies of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution, printed in book form, of a size suitable to be bound with the by-laws of Subordinate Lodges, and are now offered for sale at three cents per copy.

The Constitution of this Grand Lodge, adopted last session, has been approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

At the session of 1884 it was decided to furnish each D. D. G. M. with a copy of White's Digest for his official use, and this direction was carried out. At that time there were only three districts, but now there are nine, with an immediate prospect of being further increased to thirteen. The books supplied are now obsolete, to a considerable extent, and I have had repeated applications for the new edition, besides which there are several Deputies who have never been furnished with one. In view of the expense involved, I submit the matter for instructions.

On the 19th July last, Selkirk Lodge, No. 12, forwarded all the documents required in appeals, covering the case of Brother Brown, who had been expelled from membership in that lodge. As no appeal had reached this office, and the time within which the appeal should be lodged, had expired, I returned the documents to the lodge.

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tory condition. The receipts of the past year exceeded the estimate by \$299 50, and the balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer is \$246 20 more than was anticipated.

AUXILIARY ENDOWMENT BENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

There has been a slight increase in the membership of this association during the year, but it does not keep pace as it should with the membership in our lodges.

Three beneficial members have died, Brother W. H. Edwards and Brother S. T. Mackintosh, P. G. of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3, and Brother W. Edmunds, P. G. of Tatnai Lodge, No. 9. The sum of \$206 75 was paid on the death of Brother Edwards from the reserve fund, and \$208 40 on death of Brother Mackintosh, being the amount realized from Assessment No. 9. Two assessments have been levied payable on the 15th instant, to meet the claim on Bro. Edmunds' death and to have the necessary amount in hand to meet the next call.

Since its organization in 1884, this association has paid 12 death claims, (nine from the Endowment Fund, \$1,734 70, and three from the Reserve Fund, \$638 70), a total of \$2,373-40. It has cost the average age member of 40 years, from its commencement, \$13 50 for assessments, and \$12 for dues, a total of \$25 50 in eight years, or an average of \$3 19 per year, so that it cannot be charged that it is an expensive institution. The amount it has paid to the beneficiary of the deceased member has in almost every case proved a great assistance at a time when every dollar is needed. If from no other motive than benevolence, it claims the support of our membership. I commend it to your most favorable consideration, not only at this meeting, but in your respective Lodges.

The following abstract of the Subordinate Lodge Reports shows the position of the Order at the end of 1891, and the progress we have made during the year.

		Increase.	Decrease.
No. of Lodges at this date.....	17	4	
" " Rebekah Lodges.....	5	4	
" " Members in good standing....	1430	228	
" " Initiated during the year.....	257	47	
" " Admitted by Card.....	30		6
" " as A. O.....	1		1
" Reinstated.....	3	2	
" Withdrawn.....	15		
" Expelled.....	3	2	
" Deceased.....	13	7	
" Resigned.....	1		1
" Ceased Membership by N. P. D.....	61	20	
" Rejected.....	13		5
" Degrees conferred.....	662	267	
" Past Grands.....	207	27	
Total Revenue Subordinate Lodges....	\$ 29,591.26	4,869.47	
" " Rebekah Lodges.....	\$ 489 00		
No. of Brothers relieved.....	171	39	
" " Widowed families relieved.....	1		1
" " Weeks benefits paid.....	1,100	141	
Amount paid for relief of Brothers....	\$ 9,525 70	1,468 20	
" " " of Widowed families.....	\$ 120 00		831 60
" " paid for burying the dead....	\$ 881 50	269 00	
" " " Education of orphans....	\$ 50 00	50 00	
Total paid for relief.....	\$ 10,567 20	1,745 60	
" " " current expenses.....	\$ 12,107 37	3,739 63	
" " amount of assets.....	\$ 91,478 35	15,977 06	
Average amount of benefits paid for each sick member.....	\$ 55 07		5 93
" " amount expended for relief per member.....	7 39	\$ 0 05	
" " duration of sickness per member.....	5½ days		
" " duration of sickness per sick member.....	6 weeks 3 days.		6 days.
" " amount of assets per member....	\$ 63 97		\$1 16
Total amount paid for relief since formation of Grand Lodge in 1874.....	\$98,275 70		

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Cash Received and Paid over to Grand Treasurer.

From whom received.	Tax Term ending 30 June 1891	Tax Term ending 31 Dec. 1891.	Supplies.	Charter Fees.	TOTAL.
Victoria Lodge, No. 1....	\$ 84 50	\$ 84 50	\$ 11 00		\$ 180 00
Columbia No. 2.....	77 50	81 00	7 50		166 00
New Westminster No. 3.	54 00	57 50	24 15		135 65
Dominion No. 4.....	52 00	54 50	7 45		113 95
Black Diamond No. 5....	63 00	67 50	7 88		138 38
Harmony No. 6.....	66 00	69 00	2 35		137 35
Excelsior No. 7.....	23 50	25 50	8 35		57 35
Vancouver No. 8.....	48 50	50 00	9 00		107 50
Tatnai No. 9.....	37 50	34 00	4 50		76 00
Western Star No. 10....	47 00	58 50	3 00		108 50
Union No. 11.....	27 00	28 00	0 75		55 75
Selkirk No. 12.....	21 50	26 00	3 50		51 00
Royal City No. 12.....	36 50	37 00	17 55		91 05
Acme No. 14.....			17 87	30 00	47 87
Cloverdale No. 15.....			28 80	30 00	58 80
Kootenay No. 16.....				30 00	30 00
Duncan's No. 17.....			28 20	30 00	58 20
Vernon Valley Lodge.....				30 00	30 00
Mizpah Rebekah No. 2..				10 00	10 00
Miriam Rebekah No. 3..			17 55	10 00	27 55
Ruth Rebekah No. 4.....			16 75	10 00	26 75
Beulah Rebekah No. 5..			19 20	10 00	29 20
	638 50	673 00	235 35	190 00	1,736 85

Orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer during the year :

1891.

Feb'y 13th, Order No. 1, P. J. Foulds, Mileage	\$ 15 00
" " " 2, G. Cunningham, "	15 00
" " " 3, E. P. Julien, "	15 00
" " " 4, R. H. Baker, "	15 00
" " " 5, J. E. Phillips, (No. 3) "	15 00
" " " 6, W. McColl, P.G.M. "	15 00
" " " 7, B. Douglas, "	15 00
" " " 8, B. W. Shiles, P.G.M. "	15 00
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" " " 10, E. Quennell, P.G.M. "	10 00
" " " 11, J. Crossan, "	10 00
" " " 12, E. McNeil, "	10 00
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" " " 16, A. W. Scoullar, "	14 00
" " " 17, A. Parker, "	14 00
" " " 18, T. C. Gray, "	14 00
" " " 19, W. Edmunds, "	40 00
" " " 20, S. Clarke, M. D., "	40 00
" " " 21, E. C. Davison, "	40 00
" " " 22, J. McLeod, "	50 00
" " " 23, H. Webb, "	23 00
" " " 24, A. McMurtrie, "	10 00
" " " 25, J. A. Thompson, "	10 00
" " " 26, R. Kilpatrick, "	10 00
" " " 27, W. H. Huxtable, Janitor, etc.....	30 00
" " " 28, Sovereign Grand Lodge Representa- tive Tax.....	150 00

1891.			
Mar. 6th,	Order No. 29,	Grand Secretary for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	29 83
April 2nd,	" " 30,	Grand Secretary for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies ...	18 45
May 1st,	" " 31,	Grand Secretary for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	22 65
" 13th,	" " 32,	Grand Secretary, 3 months salary...	75 00
" " " " 33,	Grand Secretary, Postage, Customs Duty, etc.....		13 10
" 19th,	" " 34,	M. Miller, printing proceedings 1891, constitutions, etc.....	222 00
July 4th,	" " 35,	R. Jamieson, envelopes.....	4 00
" 15th,	" " 36,	Grand Secretary, for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	23 00
" 23rd,	" " 37,	Grand Secretary, for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	27 00
Aug. 18th,	" " 38,	Grand Secretary, 3 months salary...	75 00
" 18th,	" " 39,	Grand Secretary, expressage, postage, etc.....	26 30
Sept. 1st,	" " 40,	J. A. Cohen, printing 1000 application forms.....	6 50
Oct. 20th,	" " 41,	Grand Secretary, for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	17 30
Nov. 12th,	" " 42,	Grand Secretary, 3 months salary...	75 00
" 12th,	" " 43,	Grand Secretary, postage, expressage, etc.....	8 35
1892.			
Jan'y 19th,	" " 44,	Grand Secretary, for transmission to Sov. Grand Lodge for supplies....	67 00
Feb. 1st,	" " 45,	Odd Fellows Union, 12 month's rent Grand Secretary's office	100 00
" 4th,	" " 46,	R. Jamieson, stationery.....	2 75
" " " " 47,	F. Davey, Grand Secretary, balance salary.....		75 00
" " " " 48,	F. Davey, Grand Secretary, expressage and duty on supplies from Sovereign Grand Lodge and postage, etc.....		15 42
			<u>\$1,543 65</u>

SUMMARY.

Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer per last report.....	\$ 729 66
Cash received and paid to Grand Treasurer.....	1,736 85
	<u>\$ 2,466 51</u>
Less orders drawn.....	1,543 65
Leaving a balance in hands of Grand Treasurer.....	<u>\$ 922 86</u>

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STOCK ACCOUNT.	DR.	CR.
Stock on hand per last report.....	\$ 140 10	
PURCHASED DURING THE YEAR :		
52 Subordinate Lodge, floor work @ 30c. ...	\$ 15 60	
20 Rebekah Lodge floor work @ 30c.	6 00	
5 Question Books @ \$1.00.....	5 00	
360 Odes @ 3c.....	10 80	
3 Degree Charts @ \$2.00.....	6 00	
170 Visiting Cards @ 20c.....	34 00	
11 Officers' Roll Books @ \$1.00.....	11 00	
4 Rebekah Lodge Charters @ 60c.....	2 40	
2 Subordinate Lodge Charters @ 60c.....	1 20	
12 Rebekah Lodge Ritual @ \$2.00.....	24 00	
14 Subordinate Lodge Rituals @ \$2.00	28 00	
1000 " " Constitutions @ 2½	25 00	
2 Books of Odes with Music @ 50c	1 00	
5 White's Digests @ \$2.50.....	12 50	
1000 Petitions for Membership	6 50	
50 Funeral Hymns @ 3c	1 50	
Expressage, Customs Duties and Postage		
on Supplies from Sovereign Grand		
Lodge	35 20	225 70
SOLD DURING THE YEAR —		
Orders for P. W.	4 15	
1055 Petitions for Membership @ 1½c.	15 83	
11 Order Books on Treasurer @ \$1.50.....	16 50	
172 Visiting Cards @ 25c.	43 00	
35 Withdrawal Cards @ 25c.....	8 75	
6 Books of Forms @ \$1.25.....	7 50	
1 Anniversary Ceremony @ 30c	30	
2 " " @ 20c	40	
6 Funeral Ceremonies @ 30c..	1 80	
10 " Hymns @ 10c	1 00	
80 Subordinate Lodge Odes @ 10c.....	8 00	
194 " " @ 5c.....	9 70	
10 Officers' Roll Books @ \$1.25.....	12 50	
5 Question Books @ \$1.50.....	7 50	
16 Rebekah Lodge Rituals @ \$3.00	48 00	
3 " Funeral Ceremonies @ 20c	60	
6 Digests @ \$3.50.....	21 00	
55 Subordinate Lodge Constitutions @ 3c.	1 65	
17 " " Rituals @ \$3.00.....	51 00	
41 " " Floor Work @ 50c..	20 50	
3 " " Degree Charts @ \$3	9 00	
2 Books of Odes with music @ \$1.00	2 00	
8 Rebekah Lodge Floor Work @ 50c.....	1 50	
7 Dismissal Certificates @ 25c.....	1 75	
15 Funeral Hymns @ 5c.....	75	204 68
STOCK STILL ON HAND :		
2 Visiting Cards @ 22c.....	44	
2 Withdrawal Cards @ 22c.....	44	
11 Subordinate Lodge floor work @ 40c....	4 40	
17 Rebekah Lodge floor work @ 40c.....	6 80	
1 Subordinate Lodge Ritual @ \$2.50.....	2 50	

STOCK ACCOUNT.		DR.	CR.
16 Anniversary Ceremonies @ 22c	3 52		
7 Bound Proceedings Grand Lodge of B. C. @ \$1.25	8 75		
1 Book of Odes with music	65		
75 Rebekah Lodge Odes @ 4c	3 00		
39 Subordinate Lodge Odes @ 4c	1 56		
50 Funeral Hymns @ 4c	2 00		
Orders for P. W.	2 00		
5 Burial Ceremonies, Rebekah @ 12c	60		
1 Officer's Roll Book	1 15		
14 Rebekah Visiting Cards @ 22c	3 08		
8 Rebekah Withdrawal Cards @ 22c	1 76		
1 Certificate Rebekah Degree @ 20c	20		
1 Card Wife or Widow	20		
200 Petitions for membership	2 00		
940 Subordinate Lodge Contributions @ 2 1/4	23 50		
Being Balance Dr. to account per			
Balance Sheet			68 55
Loss during the year			2 57
		\$ 365 80	365 80

BALANCE SHEET.

Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F., 5th February, 1892.

Folio.	Accounts.	Dr.	Cr.
4	Sovereign Grand Lodge	\$ 40 50	\$
30	Grand Treasurer	922 86	
42	Profit and Loss		1,321 04
44	Furniture	254 25	
46	Harmony Lodge, No. 6	4 70	
52	New Westminster Lodge, No. 3	3 00	
54	Vancouver Lodge, No. 8	1 65	
56	Dominion Lodge, No. 4		0 30
65	Stock Account	68 55	
67	Tatnai Lodge, No. 9		0 20
70	Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5	0 03	
74	Columbia Lodge, No. 2	0 75	
82	Western Star Lodge, No. 10	2 75	
84	Union Lodge, No. 11		0 50
88	Royal City Lodge, No. 13	1 55	
92	Mizpah Rebekah Lodge, No. 2	20 25	
104	Kootenay Lodge, No. 16	31 20	
108	Vernon Valley Lodge		30 00
		\$ 1,352 04	\$ 1,352 04

Auxiliary Endowment Benefit Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

No. of Members per last Report.....	119
" " Reinstated.....	2
" " Admitted.....	22
" " Died.....	4
" " Suspended for non-payment of Assessments. 12	16
Members at date.....	127

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ENDOWMEN" FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance per last Report.....	\$ 80 55
Received for Assessments.....	139 85
	\$ 220 40

PAYMENTS.

Order No. 7. Benefit on death of Bro. S. T. Mackintosh, P. G., a member of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3.....	\$ 208 40
Balance.....	\$ 12 00

MANAGEMENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance per last Report.....	\$ 237 72
Received for Entrance Fees.....	34 50
" " Dues.....	176 50
	\$ 448 72

PAYMENTS.

Agents' Commission.....	\$ 19 88
Secretary's Salary.....	100 00
" for postage, etc.....	7 30
R. T. Williams, for Dues Account Book.....	12 00
Transfer to Reserve Fund.....	200 00
Balance.....	\$ 109 54

RESERVE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance per last Report.....	\$ 17 65
Received for Reinstatements.....	2 30
Transfer from Management Fund.....	200 00
	\$ 219 95

PAYMENTS.

Benefit on death of Bro. W. H. Edwards, a member of New Westminster Lodge, No. 3.....	\$ 206 75
Balance.....	\$ 13 20

SUMMARY OF BALANCES.

Endowment Fund.....	\$ 12 00
Management Fund.....	109 54
Reserve Fund.....	13 20
Total in Grand Treasurer's hands.....	\$ 134 74

During the year three members of this Grand Lodge have been removed from our midst by death. Bros. J. G. Taylor of No. 1, S. T. Mackintosh of No. 3, and W. Edmunds of No. 9, and I would suggest that a Memorial Page be inserted in the printed proceedings of this Session, containing their names.

Yours fraternally,

FRED. DAVEY,

Grand Secretary.

Report read from Grand Treasurer, which was on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

NANAIMO, February 10th, 1892.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.,

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS.—I, the undersigned, beg leave to present my report as Grand Treasurer, for the year 1891.

GRAND LODGE ACCOUNT.

Dr.	
Feb. 10, To balance from late Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 729 66
July 3, " cash from Western Star Lodge, No. 10.....	47 00
" 5, " " Vancouver Lodge, No. 8.....	48 50
" 16, " " N. Westminster Lodge, No. 3.....	54 00
" 16, " " Royal City Lodge, No. 13.....	36 50
1892.	
Jan. 9, To cash from Western Star Lodge, No. 10.....	58 50
" 9, " " Vancouver Lodge, No. 8.....	50 00
" 16, " " N. Westminster Lodge, No. 3.....	57 50
" 16, " " Royal City Lodge, No. 13.....	37 00
Feb. 10, " cash and receipted orders from Grand Secretary.	1,347 85
	<u>\$2,466 51</u>
Cr.	
By paid Orders, Nos. 1 to 48.....	\$ 1,543 65
Balance.....	922 86
	<u>\$ 2,466 51</u>

AUXILIARY ENDOWMENT BENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Feb. 11, 1891, Received from late Grand Treasurer	\$ 80 55
" 10, 1892, Cash and Receipted Orders from G. Sect'y	139 85
	\$ 220 40
Cr.	
Jan. 30, 1892, By Paid Order No. 7	\$ 208 40
Balance	<u>\$ 12 00</u>

MANAGEMENT FUND.

Feb. 11, 1891, To amount received from late Grand Treasurer ..	\$ 237 72
Feb. 10, 1892, " Cash and Receipted Orders from G. Sect'y ..	191 12
	\$ 428 84
Cr.	
Feb. 10, 1891, By Paid Orders, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 ..	119 30
By amount transferred to Reserve Fund	200 00
	319 30
Balance	<u>\$109 54</u>

RESERVE FUND.

Feb. 11, 1891, To amount received from late G. Treasurer	17 65
Feb. 10, 1892, " transferred from Management Fund	200 00
" received from Grand Secretary	2 30
	\$219 95
Cr.	
Dec. 2, 1891, By Paid Order No. 6	206 75
Balance	<u>\$13 20</u>

SUMMARY OF BALANCES.

Grand Lodge Account	\$922 86
Endowment Fund	12 00
Management "	109 54
Reserve "	13 20
	<u>\$1,057 60</u>

Yours in F. L. and T.,

T. C. GRAY,

Grand Treasurer,

The Committee on Distribution presented the following report which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee on Distribution beg to recommend the following disposal of the subjects presented in the Grand Master's Report.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE ORDER :

Pages 1 and 24 Respecting state of the Order

" 10 and 11 " Illness and resumption of duties of the Grand Sire.

" 12 Correspondence with P. G. Sire Underwood, respecting qualification for admission to the Canton.

" 17, 18, 19 and 20 Respecting Institution of new Lodges.

" 21 Respecting Installations.

" 23 " Fire at New Westminster.

also page 3 of Report of D. D. G. M. Dist. No. 2.

the 2nd part of " " " No. 5.

" " " " " No. 8.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY :

Proclamations issued, pages 3 and 5.

Correspondence with G. M. Washington re-claim of General Relief Committee, Seattle v. Dominion Lodge, No. 4, at page 6.

Question submitted and answer received from Grand Sire at pages 7 and 8

Memorial to Sovereign Grand Lodge, page 7.

Appeal of late Bro. Edmunds, page 13.

Dispensations issued, page 14.

Special permissions granted, pages 15 and 16.

Questions answered, page 22.

also the following Reports of the D. D. G. M's.

District No. 1.

Pages 1 and 2, District No. 2.

District No. 3.

1st Part of District No. 5.

District No. 6.

" No. 7.

1st Part District No. 8.

District No. 9.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE :

Appropriation for purchase of Regalia for Grand Lodge Officers, Page 7.

Salary of Grand Secretary, Page 23.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS :

Granting of Quarters to new Lodges instituted, page 20.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER :

Pages 1 2, 5 and 6 respecting State of the Order.

" 3 and 4 respecting Auxiliary Endowment Benefit Association, and the abstracts of the Reports of Subordinate Lodges.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY :

Page 2. Return of Documents to Selkirk Lodge, No. 12.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE :

Page 2 re-Regalia and printing Constitutions.

" 3 Digests for D. D. G. M's.

" 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15. Financial Statement Grand Lodge and Endowment Association.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING :

Page 16. Memorial Page in Proceedings.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. MCCOLL,

H. WALLER,

F. CARNE,

Committee on Distribution.

Brother H. Waller, P. G. M., presented and read the following report from the Grand Representatives, which was, on motion, ordered to be received and printed with the Proceedings of this session :

REPORT OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

To the Grand Master and Representatives of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F.—

Your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge beg leave to submit their report, as follows :

The sixty-seventh annual session was held at St. Louis, Mo., on September 21st, 1891, and continued through the week until the 26th. There were present 169 Representatives.

The Grand Sire being absent through illness, the Dep-

uty Grand Sire, Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Master of Ontario, presided and filled the office with ability and dignity.

After roll call, and the Grand Marshal had declared all the Representatives duly qualified, the Acting Grand Sire read the following dispatch from the Grand Sire, to which the following replies were sent :

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF THE I. O. O. F.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SIRE.

RALEIGH, N. C., September 17th, 1891.

DR. CL. T. CAMPBELL,

Deputy Grand Sire, I. O. O. F., St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—Will you please convey to the members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge the assurance of my deep regret at my inability to be present at this session. It is to me a grievous disappointment.

I presume that you have incorporated in your report my official actions up to the time I was taken ill. I regret that, owing to my illness, I have been unable to prepare any report for myself.

I pray that the blessings of Almighty God may rest upon your deliberations. And I am,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

C. M. BUSBEE, Grand Sire.

Rep. Orendorff, of Illinois, moved the following, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote :

Resolved, That the Sovereign Grand Lodge has learned with feelings of deep regret, of Grand Sire Busbee's affliction by the hand of disease, which prevents his attendance at this session, and desires, at this its first opportunity, to express its heartfelt sorrow and loving sympathy, together with the earnest hope and prayer that he may be soon restored to health, and the performance of the duties of the high office which he has adorned by eminent services.

Bro. Underwood, Past Grand Sire, moved the following which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be directed to immediately transmit to Grand Sire Busbee a copy of the resolution just adopted.

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, Sept. 21st, 1891.

THEO. A. ROSS,

Grand Secretary, Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Please express to the Sovereign Grand Lodge my heartfelt appreciation of its kind and sympathetic resolution.

C. M. BUSBEE, Grand Sire.

Your Representatives would state here, that from a communication recently received from the Grand Secretary, Theo. A. Ross, that we are pleased to be able to inform you that our Grand Sire is improving very rapidly, and no doubt will be present at the next communication of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

The following are a few extracts from the Acting Grand Sire's and Secretary's Reports.

Acting Grand Sire on State of the Order :

I am pleased to be able to announce that the returns which will be submitted to you show a most prosperous year. During 1890, no less than 68,295 men were initiated into Odd Fellowship under your jurisdiction—the greatest number in any year in our history. And the net increase for the same period was equally unprecedented, reaching 37,442. On December 31st, 1890, our male membership in the United States and Canada, and related jurisdictions, was 649,702. The returns from Australasia give 19,746, while the German Empire has 2,891, making the total number no less than 672,339.

If our increase during this year has been at the same rate, and we have no reason to doubt it, we may safely assume that our membership on the 1st of September, 1891, was not less than 700,000. If to this number be added the 69,661 Daughters of Rebekah, reported December, 1890, with the probable additions they have received this year, a moderate estimate will give, at the present date, a grand total of not less than 775,000.

Not only numerically, but financially, the record is gratifying. With an aggregate revenue from Lodges and Encampments of \$7,244,227, we have expended for the purposes of relief through the ordinary channels of the Order, \$2,917,688. When we add to this the relief expenditure of Australasia and Germany, together with the payments made to widows and orphans by the large number of Relief and Endowment Associations, operated in connection with our

society, we can place the pecuniary benevolence of Odd Fellowship during the year 1890, at the magnificent sum of \$4,000,000.

The following table gives the membership record of all foreign jurisdictions :

JURISDICTION.	Year introduced.	Lodges.	Members.
Australasia	1867	235	19,746
Chile	1874	4	147
Cuba	1883	4	373
Denmark	1878	25	2,051
France	1887	2	95
Germany	1870	53	2,891
Japan	1888	1	33
Mexico	1882	4	125
Netherlands	1877	3	97
Peru	1872	2	88
Sandwich Islands	1847	2	163
Sweden	1884	3	72
Switzerland	1871	5	240
		343	26,121

Extracts from Grand Secretary's Report :

RETURNS FOR THE YEARS 1889 AND 1890.

	Dec. 31st, 1889.	Dec. 31st, 1890.	Increase.
Grand Lodges	55	55	 2
Grand Encampments	46	48	 2
Subordinate Lodges	8,789	9,196	347
Subordinate Encampments	2,123	2,198	75
Rebekah Degree Lodges	2,016	2,214	198
Lodge initiations	59,744	68,295	8,551
Encampment initiations	11,175	12,392	1,217
Lodge members	612,260	649,702	37,442
Encampment members	110,487	115,644	5,157
Rebekah D. L. members	115,393	182,808	17,415
Relief by Lodges	\$2,397,652 17	\$2,629,496 12	\$231,783 95
Relief by Encampments	234,834 42	260,420 57	25,586 15
Relief by Rebekah Lodges	24,042 53	27,831 44	3,788 91
Total Relief	2,656,529 12	2,917,688 13	261,159 01
Revenue of Lodges	6,111,827 94	6,459,101 98	347,274 04
Revenue of Encampments	571,624 36	592,173 75	20,549 39
Revenue of Rebekah Lodges	171,159 13	192,951 66	21,792 53
Total Revenue	6,854,611 43	7,244,227 39	389,615 96

STATISTICS OF THE ORDER FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31st, 1880,
INCLUDING AUSTRALASIA AND GERMANY.

Initiations in Subordinate Lodges.....	1,704,649
Members relieved.....	1,538,462
Widowed families relieved.....	190,978
Members deceased.....	151,000
Total relief.....	854,272 903 42
Total receipts.....	142,393,835 99

CONDITION OF THE ORDER DECEMBER 31st, 1890.

Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	1
Independent Grand Lodges (German Empire and Australasia).....	2
Subordinate Grand Encampments.....	51
Subordinate Grand Lodges.....	65
Subordinate Encampments.....	2,209
Subordinate Lodges.....	9,421
Encampment members.....	116,064
Lodge members.....	672,148
Degree Lodges of the Daughters of Rebekah.....	2,216
Sisters, members of Rebekah Lodges.....	69,711
Brothers, members of Rebekah Lodges.....	63,187
Cantons of Patriarchs Militant (estimated).....	592
Chevaliers, rank and file (estimated).....	25,000

The following are some of the most important of the Grand Sire's and Acting Grand Sire's decisions, which were approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge :

BY THE GRAND SIRE—

3. A Subordinate Lodge cannot legally call a special meeting for the purpose of receiving propositions for membership, and appointing Committee of Character thereon.

5. In raising and seating a Lodge on the occasion of a public installation, it is not permissible to use the gavel as it is used in a regular Lodge meeting.

7. Under Section 672, Digest (election of members before withdrawal), it is necessary that the Lodge to which a brother applies for membership should notify the Lodge issuing the Visiting Card of his election : and thereupon the brother must apply for the necessary Withdrawal Card or Dismissal Certificate; but the Secretary of the Lodge may apply for such card or certificate, at the instance and by the authority of the brother.

9. A "masque ball," held under the auspices of a lodge is not necessarily an affair which may scandalize the Order. It would depend on the character and surroundings of the hall.

19. A Patriarch ceasing to be a member of a Subordinate Lodge, may retain membership in his Encampment for one year, at the end of which period it terminates. Subsequently regaining membership in a Lodge, he can only regain membership in his Encampment by applying for reinstatement therein, and being admitted with all the formalities connected with a reinstatement.

BY THE GRAND SIRE (ACTING).

3. A Grand Master or Grand Lodge has no right to confer Past Official Degrees on a brother from another jurisdiction, at the request of the Lodge of which said brother is a member; it should only be done at the request of the Grand Lodge having jurisdiction over the Subordinate in which the Brother has earned the degrees.

6. Decision 99, (Journal 1890, p. 11,908), to the effect that "with the exception of the Officers and Grand Representatives constituting the Sovereign Grand Lodge, no one can obtain the Degree of Rebekah through means other than by application to and initiation in, a regularly constituted Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah, (Sees. 1183-4, Digest, repealed, Journal, 1891, pp. 177-223), does not alter or conflict with the law in Section 1184, Digest, which allows the degree to be conferred on an applicant without his becoming a member of the Lodge conferring the degree.

We submit for your perusal two of the most important appeal cases.

The first is a question which often arises in the Lodges. The second has never happened in this jurisdiction and we hope it never will :

FIRST APPEAL—

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of G. Rep. Gwinn against the Grand Lodge of Idaho, beg leave to report thereon as follows :

At the eighth annual session of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, the following question was received and referred to the Judiciary Committee :

"The Noble Grand of a Lodge having served eleven

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nights of a term and is called away on account of the serious illness of his father, being excused by the Lodge from serving the remainder of his term, can he receive the past official degrees?"

The Judiciary Committee reported that "no authority is found for such action." They cite Section 289 of the Digest, and construe the word "sickness," occurring therein, to mean personal sickness, and not that of a parent or friend.

On the presentation of this report in the Grand Lodge of Idaho, it was resolved that the report be amended so as to read "that the Brother is entitled to the honors of the office." From that action of the Grand Lodge, this appeal is taken.

It is laid down in Section 289 of the Digest, that "leave of absence for a majority of the nights of his term, works a forfeiture of the honors of the term to the officer to whom leave is granted;" and "unless an officer is present in the Lodge room, a majority of the meeting nights of his term (unless excused, from sickness), he is not entitled to the honors of his office."

It seems clear to your committee, that what is meant in that section is that the sickness, by reason of which he is excused, must be that of the officer himself or some providential interposition affecting himself personally, and preventing his attendance, over which he had no control; and that although the Lodge might excuse him on account of the illness of his father, such excuse would not be sufficient to entitle the officer to the honors of the office where he did not serve a majority of the nights of his term.—Approved.

SECOND APPEAL.

Your Committee on Appeals have carefully considered the appeal of L. N. Billings, P. G., from the action of the Grand Lodge of California, and beg to submit the following report: Charges were preferred against Past Grand Billings, in Eureka Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., of California, of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, specifying that said Billings on the 1st day of March, 1889, in the county of Sacramento and State of California, did then and there unlawfully, wilfully, and with malice aforethought, kill and murder one Francis D. Lightall. The Brother was tried upon said charge and

expelled. He appealed to the Grand Lodge of his State, and the action of Eureka Lodge, No. 4, was there sustained. From the action of the Grand Lodge of California, he now appeals to this Grand Body. The record is very lengthy, embracing all the testimony in the trial below. In his appeal to the State Grand Lodge, the Brother assigned a great many errors and we have carefully considered them.

The acquittal of a Brother, on such a charge, in a civil court, is not of itself a sufficient defence in a trial by the Lodge.

If there was any ground for his objection to the appointment of certain Brothers on the Trial Committee, on account of their bias or prejudice against him, the Grand Lodge of California certainly cured said wrong by a full investigation of all the facts upon the record, which embraced all the testimony taken in the trial below.

The specification certainly embraced an offence against the laws of the Order.

The Subordinate Lodge certainly had the right to be represented before the Trial Committee by a Brother appointed for that purpose. In the vast amount of testimony submitted, there appears to be considerable conflict, but both the Subordinate Lodge and the State Grand Lodge having passed upon the facts, and there being sufficient and ample testimony upon which to found a conviction, your committee does not feel warranted in disturbing their finding. They therefore submit the following resolution and ask its adoption :

Resolved, That the appeal of L. N. Billings, from the action of the Grand Lodge of California be dismissed, and the action of the Grand Lodge of California be sustained.—Approved.

NEW LEGISLATION.

Resolved, That it be, and is hereby made obligatory, upon each Subordinate Lodge of the Order, to pay from its funds, during the continuance of the disability, a weekly benefit of not less than two dollars to every member who shall be disabled, by sickness or bodily injury, from following his usual occupation, or otherwise earning a livelihood for

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himself, provided such disability be not the result of his own vice or immorality; *provided*, however, that Subordinate Grand Lodges may provide that where a member shall receive one full year's benefits, the weekly benefit thereafter to such member may be fixed at not less than one dollar per week.—Approved.

WHEREAS, The Rebekah Degree Lodges are now composed of Brothers as well as Sisters, and as we deem the word "Daughters" to be superfluous and unnecessary, we, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That hereafter the legal title of Rebekah Degree Lodges shall be "—— Rebekah Lodge, No.——, I. O. O. F."—Approved.

Resolved, That any Sister member of the Degree of Rebekah, who has been a member in good standing of a Rebekah Degree Lodge for fifteen consecutive years, shall be entitled to wear a jewel, to be designated, "The Veteran Jewel, I. O. O. F., of the Daughters of Rebekah."—Approved.

The Grand Lodge of the Kingdom of Denmark was made an Independent Sovereignty in Odd Fellowship, reserving certain rights as to ritual, etc.—on the same terms as Australasia.

The Grand Lodge of the Republic of Switzerland was made independent on the same terms.

The Constitution, By-Laws, Rules of Order, of British Columbia, were approved.

We are sorry to inform you that the Constitutional Amendment, the "eighteen-year-old" question, was again defeated. The vote on it was about the same as last session, but there are no less than five notices submitted for next session. Be not discouraged; no great Constitutional change is carried without a very hard struggle. We must and will win, eventually.

Your Representatives were placed on the following com-

mittees, viz.: Brother Shiles on the Committee of Bodies not Represented, and Brother Waller on the Committee of Foreign Relations.

NEW REPRESENTATIVES.

One hundred and seventy Representatives are accredited to the present session. The Grand Encampment of British Columbia, and Grand Lodges of Denmark and Switzerland, have not furnished certificates. The addition of five Representatives since last session has increased the membership of the Body (Representatives, Officers and Past Grand Sires), to 193.

The next communication of the Sovereign Grand Lodge will be held at Portland, Oregon.

The question whether the obligations should be memorized or read from the Ritual, is left entirely to the Subordinate Lodges.

A committee of five was appointed to consider the expediency of the removal of the head-quarters of the Sovereign Grand Lodge to Baltimore, the committee to report next session.

CONCLUSION.

We respectfully submit the foregoing report of the important matters of legislation that affect both Subordinate, Grand Lodge, and Grand Encampment in this jurisdiction, that was enacted at the last session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Sincerely thanking you for the honor conferred upon us we are,

Fraternally,

H. WALLER,
B. W. SHILES,
Grand Representatives.

Report read from Committee on Laws of Subordinates which was on motion received and adopted.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee on Laws of Subordinates have examined the following By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges in the jurisdiction during the past year, and beg to report thereon as follows :

WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 10.—Amendment to Art. XX, Sec. 1. Providing for the payment of \$1 per week to members of the Initiatory Degree. Approved.

Additional Article XXV. Setting aside 5 per cent. of the receipts of the Lodge to form a Contingent Fund. Not approved. This Grand Lodge not having enacted the permissive Legislation for the purpose ; 5 per cent. of the Dues only being allowed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge to be devoted to this purpose.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 7.—Approved Amendment to Sec. I. Art. XX, of By-Laws, reducing Sick Benefits for 1st week to \$2.50.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1.—Approved Amendment to Sec. I. Art. XIX, regulating the hours at which a sick member shall be out of his house during sickness, except by consent of his Medical Attendant.

SELKIRK LODGE, No. 12.—Approved Amendments to Art. XVII, forming a Contingent Fund to be used for any legitimate purpose the Lodge may direct, to consist of monies in hands of Entertainment Committee, and surpluses from future entertainments, also proposition fees of candidates who fail to present themselves for initiation within twelve weeks from date of election.

COLFAX REBEKAH LODGE, No. 1.—Approved a complete code of By-Laws for the Lodge.

VANCOUVER LODGE, No. 8.—Approved a revised code of

By-Laws of this Lodge with the following exceptions :—Clause 39. Providing for the Assessment of \$1.00 per member to form a Contingent Fund. Clause 43. Payment of \$1.00 per week to members for first weeks Sick Benefits. Legislation of Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1891, making it obligatory on all Lodges to pay not less than \$2.00 per week, *vide* P. P. 12,-620, 12,621, 12,670, 12,707, Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1891.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 6.—Approved a revised set of By-Laws of this Lodge : We observe that provision is made to pay only \$2.50 per week to members of the Third Degree for 1st week's sickness, whereas the payment to members of the lower degrees is \$5.00, we think this has probably been overlooked by the Lodge, and only needs to be pointed out to be rectified.

MIZPAH REBEKAH LODGE, No. 2.—Approved a code of By-Laws for this Lodge with the following exceptions :

Art. 3, Sec. 2, makes provision for the election of "Representatives to the Grand Lodge," as Rebekah Lodges have no such privilege, these words should be struck out.

Art. 3, Sec. 3, provides that officers elected to fill vacancies must serve a majority of nights in the term, in order to be entitled to the honors of the office. This is contrary to White's Digest, Art. 985.

RUTH REBEKAH LODGE, No. 4.—Approved new code of By-Laws for this Lodge.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 7.—Amendment to Art. IX., defining duties of Outside Guardian. Approved.

ACME LODGE, No. 14.—Approved new code of By-Laws for this Lodge with the following exceptions : Art. 4, Sec. 2, Provides for the payment of Sick Benefits only to Scarlet Degree members. This Grand Lodge decided last Session that subordinates must pay Benefits of some amount to all their members irrespective of their rank.

Article IV, Sec. 6.—Provides that no greater sum than \$2000 shall be paid to any member on account of his membership, except by a two-third vote of the members present at any regular meeting. This provision is contrary to Secs. 6, 10 and 28 of the Digest which provide that weekly continuous Sick Benefits must be paid, but that reduced benefits may be paid at the expiration of a certain time, or after receiving a certain amount.

Article 7, Sec. 7.—Provides that, “any Brother being “twelve calendar months in arrears shall forthwith on due “report to the Lodge, be declared by the N. G. to be suspended from membership.” This is contrary to Sec. 1, Clause 1, Art. VII, Constitution Subordinate Lodges, which stipulates that the fact of a Brother being in arrears twelve months must be announced in open Lodge at two regular meetings before suspension after having been notified when he owes eleven months dues; further, that a member residing more than 50 miles from his Lodge shall receive two months’ additional time to pay his indebtedness.

Article 7, Sec. 9.—We recommend that the motion of the Lodge to reinstate an expelled member must be subsequent to obtaining the consent of the Grand Master to this course.

Article II, Sec. 1.—Strike out the word “majority” and insert “two-thirds” vote in order to conform to Art. VI, Sec. 7, of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution respecting removal of officers for absence at three successive meetings.

Article XI, Sec. 3.—Strike out the words “in case of one candidate being nominated for the office” so as to agree with Sec. 8 of Art. VI, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, which provides that in all cases election to fill a vacancy in an elective office must lay over for one week after nomination.

Article XIII, Sec. I.—Strike out the words “nor shall they be suspended except for special purposes and then only

by a four-fifths vote," being in conflict with Sec. 155, White's Digest.—"A By-Law cannot be suspended on motion."

FRED CARNE,
A. HENDERSON,
Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

The Special Committee appointed last Session to procure a photograph of Grand Secretary Davey, presented the following which was received and ordered to be handed to the Committee on Finance.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIRs AND BROTHERS :—Your Committee appointed to procure a photograph of Grand Secretary Fred'k Davey, beg to report that we have performed the duty assigned us, the picture being now in the I.O.O.F. Hall at Victoria and the bill for the same hereto attached.

Yours in F. L. & T.,
A. HENDERSON,
Chairman Committee.

The following Report was read from the Committee on Appeals, which was on motion adopted.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIRs AND BROTHERS :—Your Committee on Appeals have had under consideration, the appeal of Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, Vancouver, against the decision of the Grand Master, in declaring the election of V. G. by said Lodge, on 29th May last, null and void, and directing a fresh election to be held, on the grounds that the Lodge refused to accept the nomination of Bro. W. Bredemeyer for this office, he being duly qualified for the same, and beg to report as follows :

From the documents submitted, the facts of the case

appear to be, that at the first night of nomination for officers, on the 15th May last, the name of Bro. W. Bredemeyer was offered in nomination for the office of V. G., he being at the time Permanent Secretary, and installed into this office for twelve months ending 31st December last. This nomination was ruled by the acting N. G. out of order, on the ground that the Brother had been installed as Permanent Secretary for twelve months. At the next meeting Bro. Bredemeyer appealed against the decision of the Chair in thus ruling his nomination out of order, but the Chair was sustained by the Lodge; the Brother then gave notice of appeal to the Grand Lodge, but this was also ruled out as illegal; he then resigned the office of Permanent Secretary, which the Lodge accepted from the 30th June ensuing. Bro. Bredemeyer then appeals to the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Master acting on the powers conferred on him by Art. IV, Sec. 1, of the Grand Lodge Constitution, to "receive and act on all complaints which may be made to him against his deputies or Lodges," over-rules the action of the Lodge, declares the election for V. G. null and void, and directs the Lodge to proceed to the election of a V. G., and to include the name of Bro. Bredemeyer as a candidate for that office. This command was obeyed by the Lodge, and at an election held on 26th June last, Bro. D. Menzies was elected V. G.

The grounds of the appeal are :

1st. "The appeal to the Grand Master was not properly taken, the Lodge not having been furnished with a copy of the appeal."

2nd. "The appeal from the decision of the Chair to the Lodge was not taken till one week after said decision was given, which is contrary to the law,—see White's Digest "Sec. 1059, 1320 and 1622."

3rd. "The decision of the Grand Master was not in conformity with the Constitution (see Art. VI. Sec. 6, "Constitution of Subordinate Lodges for B. C.) and laws of

" the Order, or with general Parliamentary usages, which are
 " the basis of our rules of order, (White's Digest 1329, page
 " 12100 journal of 1890, C. A. Killer vs. G. L. of Texas.")

The fact that the Brother was fully qualified by previous service for the office of V. G., is not disputed by the Lodge.

With respect to the first ground, we cannot find that any law, organic or local, requires that a copy of the appeal shall be furnished to the Lodge in cases of this character. The Code of Procedure laid down in Sec. 5, Art. VII, for appeals arising from Trials where charges have been preferred against members, provides a form of " notice of appeals " (form 7.) in which the ground of the appeal must be stated in such cases, and it appears Bro. Bredemeyer did give such notice on the 22nd May, 1891, which notice the Lodge declined to accept. The Grand Master, also, in his communication to the Lodge, fully states the ground of the appeal, so that in our opinion the Lodge had ample notification, which appears to us all the law requires in the premises.

2nd. The appeal of Bro. Bredemeyer from the decision of the acting N. G., on the 15th May, to the Lodge on the 22nd May, was received and acted on by the Lodge on the latter date, and the question as to whether that appeal was in order, cannot affect the question of his right to appeal to the Grand Lodge on the main issue involved. If it was not in order, it should not have been entertained by the Lodge at the time it was made, but having then admitted it, and waived the right to challenge it, the Lodge is now debarred from raising it as a vital defect.

3rd. We are of opinion that the decision of the Grand Master was strictly in conformity with law and the usages of the Order. It is not necessary for a Brother to resign an office in order to be nominated to another, " the law is satisfied if the officer elect is found eligible at the time of induction into office." (Sec 999 White's Digest.) It is also the invariable usage to nominate a V. G. to the office of N. G.,

whilst holding the former office without requiring him to resign.

From a review of the whole circumstances of the case, we are of the opinion that Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, acted improperly and illegally in refusing to accept Bro. Bredemeyer's nomination as V. G, that the Brother has not forfeited his right of appeal, and that the action of the Grand Master was fully warranted in the premises ; we therefore recommend that the appeal be dismissed and the action of the Grand Master sustained.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN H. MELDRAM,

JOSHUA HOLLAND,

ANGUS McKEOWN,

Committee on Appeals.

J. Wriglesworth, P. G. M., gave notice that to-morrow he would move to amend Sec. 1 of Art. IV of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges as follows :—"Strike out the word 'ten,' in the first line, and insert the word 'fifteen' in lieu thereof ; strike out the words 'three dollars each for the First and Second Degree, and four dollars for the Third Degree,' in the third and fourth lines, and insert the words 'five dollars for each of the Three Degrees.'"

H. B. Gilmour, No. 13, gave notice that to-morrow he would move to amend Sec. 1, Art. IV of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, as follows :—"Add additional clause—"Lodges may make provision in their by-laws to set aside 5 per cent. of their receipts from dues to form a Contingent Fund, to be used for the legitimate objects of the Order."

Moved, seconded and carried that this Grand Lodge adjourn to 8 o'clock this evening.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled at 8 o'clock p. m.

The Grand Marshal reported all present duly qualified.

The Grand Secretary reported a quorum present. The Roll was called and all the officers and representatives answered to their names.

The Grand Marshal retired and introduced the following Past Grands on whom the Grand Lodge Degree was conferred. G. Gavalsky, J. Hilbert, J. Aitkin, and J. Baker of Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5. B. Shearing and H. Mitchell of Harmony Lodge, No. 6.

The Grand Treasurer gave notice that to-morrow he would move the amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, notice of which was given last Session by the late Brother W. Edmonds, P. G. The Grand Master ruled that Brother Edmonds' notice did not conform to the law and therefore could not be dealt with.

The following report was read from the Committee on Petitions, which was, on motion, adopted.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for Charters for the undermentioned Subordinate Lodges :

Acme Lodge, No. 14, located at Victoria ; Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15, located at Cloverdale ; Kootenay Lodge, No. 16, located at Nelson ; and Duncan's Lodge, No. 17, located at Duncan's. Also for the following Rebekah Lodges :

Miriam Lodge, No. 3, at Nanaimo ; Ruth Lodge, No. 4, at Chilliwack ; and Beulah Lodge, No. 5, at New Westminster, beg to report that the law has been complied with in each instance, and recommend that the Charters asked for be granted.

T. F. NEELANDS,
A. G. DAY,
WILLIAM MITCHELL,
Committee on Petitions.

The hour fixed by the Constitution for the Election of Officers having arrived the following nominations were made :

FOR GRAND MASTER.

J. E. Phillips, No. 3.....Nominated by A. McGregor, No. 5.
R. Scott, No. 6.....Nominated by A. G. Day, No. 1.

FOR DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

J. Crossan, No. 5.....Nominated by R. Rivers, No. 5.

FOR GRAND WARDEN.

T. C. Gray, No. 10.....Nominated by B. W. Shiles, P. G. M.
A. W. Scoullar, No. 8.....Nominated by G. Pollay, No. 8

FOR GRAND SECRETARY.

F. Davey, No. 1.....Nominated by W. E. Holmes, No. 1.

FOR GRAND TREASURER.

W. E. Holmes, No. 1.....Nominated by G. Fowlie, No. 4.
H. B. Gilmour, No. 10.....Nominated by A. Penzer, No. 12.

FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.

H. Waller, P. G. M., No. 2.....Nominated by A. Penzer, No. 12.
E. Quennell, P. G. M., No. 5.....Nominated by G. Norris, No. 5.

The Grand Master appointed B. W. Shiles, P. G. M. and G. Glover, No. 4, to act as tellers.

The ballot was spread for Grand Master and the following result announced :

No. of votes cast.....	60
J. E. Phillips, No. 3.....	Received 33 votes
R. Scott, No. 6.....	" 26 "
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J. E. Phillips, No. 3, was declared duly elected as Grand Master.

For Deputy Grand Master. J. Crossan, No. 5, being the only nominee, was declared duly elected by acclamation.

For Grand Warden :

No. of votes cast.....	60
T. C. Gray, No. 10.....	Received 37 votes.
A. W. Scoullar, No. 8.....	" 22 "
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T. C. Gray, No. 10, was declared duly elected as Grand Warden.

For Grand Secretary. F. Davey, No. 1, being the only nominee, was declared duly elected by acclamation.

For Grand Treasurer :

No. of Votes cast.....	.60
W. E. Holmes, No. 1.....	Received 38 votes.
H. B. Gilmour, No. 10.....	" 22 "

W. E. Holmes, No. 1, was declared duly elected as Grand Treasurer.

For Grand Representative :

E. Quennell, I. G. M., withdrew his name from nomination. H. Waller, P. G. M. No. 2, being the only nominee, was declared duly elected as Grand Representative.

Resolved,—That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn to 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

NANAIMO, 11th February, 1892.

The Grand Lodge convened at 9:30 a. m. All present having been examined and reported qualified to sit, the Grand Secretary reported a quorum present, and the Grand Lodge was declared open for business.

The Roll was called and all the Officers and Representatives were found to be present.

The minutes of previous day's Session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following report which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee to whom was referred the decisions

contained in the Grand Master's Report, beg leave to report that they agree with the same, also his objections to the D. D. G. M. of District No. 7, giving a dispensation to District No. 6, to confer two degrees on a member of No. 7, the dispensation should have been issued by the D. D. G. M. of District, No. 6.

R. ROBERTS,

G. FOWLE,

H. B. GILMOUR,

Committee on Judiciary.

Representative Gilmour, No. 10, moved the amendment to Sec. 1, Art. IV., of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, notice of which was given yesterday, seconded by Representative Pearce, No. 9, and carried unanimously.

The following notice was given :

We hereby give notice that next Session we will move that Sec. 1, Art. II., Grand Lodge Constitution be amended to read as follows: The Grand Lodge shall hold regular Annual Communications, to begin on the second Wednesday of April of each year, at such hour as the executive officers shall determine, due notice thereof being given to all Subordinate Lodges at least two weeks prior to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, and shall continue to meet at such hours as may be agreed upon from day to day, Sunday excepted, until the close of the Session.

T. C. GRAY, No. 10.

W. E. JOHNSTONE, No. 8.

ROBERT SCOTT, No. 6.

Moved by D. Welsh, No. 13, and seconded by T. C. Gray, Grand Treasurer; That a general agent be appointed by the Executive Officers of this Grand Lodge for the purpose of making a personal canvass throughout the whole jurisdiction on behalf of the Auxiliary Endowment Benefit Association of this Grand Lodge, said agent to receive as remuneration for his services a stipulated sum for each new member. Carried.

The Committee on State of the Order presented a report which was read and on motion referred back to the Committee for amendment. The amended report as follows was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred portions of the Reports of the Grand Master and his Deputies, approve of the same, with the exception of the latter portion of the Report of District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 5, which we are informed contains deductions which are erroneous and as the publication of this part will, in our opinion prove detrimental to the Lodge concerned, we recommend that it be not printed with the Proceedings of this Session.

E. QUENNELL,
ROBERT SCOTT,
B. S. DOUGLAS,

Committee on State of the Order.

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following Report which was adopted :

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred portions of the Report of the Grand Secretary, approve of the same and recommend that Subordinate Lodges be urged to be more prompt in sending in their reports.

E. QUENNELL,
ROBERT SCOTT,
B. S. DOUGLAS,

Committee on State of the Order.

The following notice was read :

We hereby give notice that at next Session we will move that Sec. 1, Art. VII. and Sec. 2, Art. II, of the Grand Lodge Constitution be amended to read "Each Elective and Ap-

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WM. McCOLL, No. 3.

H. WALLER, No. 2.

GEORGE NORRIS, No. 5.

The Committee on Laws of Subordinates presented the following Report which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee on Laws of Subordinates, beg leave to report that we have examined the By-Laws of Cloverdale Lodge, No. 15, and find them in conformity with the Constitution.

Yours in F. L. and T.,

F. CARNE,

A. HENDERSON,

A. PENZER,

W. E. JOHNSTONE,

P. J. FOULDS,

Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following Report, which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the matter of the granting of a Dispensation by the D. D. G. M., of District No. 5, for a public dedication of the Hall of Excelsior Lodge, No. 7, beg to report that the D. D. G. M. was in error in granting such a Dispensation, which can only be granted by the Grand Master.

R. ROBERTS,

G. FOWLIE,

H. B. GILMOUR,

Committee on Judiciary.

Moved seconded and carried : That each D. D. G. M. be supplied by this Grand Lodge with a copy of the latest Digest for his official use.

Resolved,—That a special committee of five members be appointed to consider and report this Session the amount to be appropriated for the purchase of Regalia for the Officers of this Grand Lodge.

The Chair appointed the following to form this Special Committee :—Henderson, No. 2 ; Douglas, No. 13 ; Quennell, P. G. M., No. 5 ; Shiles, P. G. M., No. 3 ; and Carne, P. G. M., No. 1.

Jos. Wriglesworth, P. G. M., moved the amendment to Sec. 1, Art. V., of which notice was given yesterday, which was seconded by G. Fowlie, No. 4. On being submitted to the vote, 19 voted in the affirmative and 13 in the negative.

The Ayes and Nays having been called for were taken as follows :—Ayes : Crossan, Gray, Waller, P. G. M.; Henderson, Dempster, Adler, Foulds, Fowlie, Glover, Norris, Rivers, Scott, McDonald, Johnstone, Neelands, Pearse, Gilmour, Mitchell, Penzer, Wriglesworth, P. G. M.—20.

Nays :—Phillips, P. G. M.; Davey, Shiles, P. G. M.; Carne, P. G. M.; Holmes, Day, Bonson, Peers, Parker, Welsh, Quennell, P. G. M.; McColl, P. G. M.; Roberts, P. G. M.—13.

Not having received the requisite two-thirds vote the motion was declared lost.

Resolved,—That the Grand Lodge adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

NANAIMO, 12th February, 1892.

The Grand Lodge assembled at 10 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.

The Grand Marshal examined all present and reported them qualified.

The Grand Secretary reported a quorum present and the Grand Lodge was declared open for business.

At Roll Call all the Officers and Representatives were reported present.

The minutes of preceding day's Session were read and adopted.

The Special Committee on Regalia presented the following Report, which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

Your Special Committee appointed to consider the amount to be expended for Regalia for Grand Lodge Officers, beg to recommend that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be empowered to expend the sum of two hundred dollars during recess in the purchase of said Regalia.

F. CARNE,
B. S. DOUGLAS,
E. QUENNELL,
A. HENDERSON,
B. W. SHILES,

Committee.

Resolved, That inasmuch as Past Grand Masters Wriglesworth, Roberts, and Quennell have attended and assisted in the work of this Session, that the committee on mileage and per diem be instructed to provide in its report for the payment of mileage and per diem to these Brothers.

Moved by Rep. Welsh, No. 13, and seconded by Rep. Peers, No. 7 : That the next Annual Session of this Grand Lodge be held at New Westminster.

Moved as an amendment by Rep. Glover, No. 4, and seconded by Rep. Fowlie, No. 4, to strike out the words "New Westminster" and substitute "Victoria."

Moved as an amendment to the amendment by Rep. Scott, No. 6, and seconded by R. Roberts, P. G. M., that Wellington be inserted in the place of "Victoria."

The question being on the amendment to the amendment it was negatived, 7 voting aye and 13 nay.

The amendment was also lost by a vote of 10 for and 16 against.

The resolution was then put and carried unanimously.

The amendment to Sec. 1, Art IV, of the Constitution, of which notice was given yesterday by P. G. M. Wriglesworth, raising the minimum initiation fee to fifteen dollars, and the fee for degrees to five dollars each, was moved by Rep. Fowlie, No. 4, and seconded by Rep. Scott, No. 6, but on being submitted to the vote was declared to be lost.

The Committee on Mileage and per diem presented the following Report, which was adopted.

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS:—Your Committee on Mileage and Per diem beg to report that we have examined the certificates presented by the undermentioned Officers and Representatives attending this Session, and find that they are entitled to the amounts inserted against their respective names.

J. E. Phil
J. E. Phil
J. Cross
F. Davey
T. C. Gra
H. Waller
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B. S. Dou
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S. Adler
P. J. Fox
R. F. Bor
G. Fowlie
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R. Scott
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NAMES.	No. Lodge.	Location.	Attend'no Days.	Per diem.	Miles Travelled	Mileage.	Total.
OFFICERS.							
J. E. Phillips, G. M.	4	Victoria.....	3	\$ 6 00	73	\$ 7 30	\$13 30
J. E. Phillips, D. G. M.	3	New West'mr.	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
J. Crossan, G. W.	5	Nanaimo.....	3	6 00	.....	.....	6 00
F. Davey, G. S.	1	Victoria.....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
T. C. Gray, G. T.	10	Vancouver.....	3	6 00	36	3 60	9 60
H. Waller, G. Rep.	2	Victoria.....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
B. W. Shiles, G. Rep.	3	New West'mr.	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
B. S. Douglas, G. C.	13	.....	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
M. Duffin, G. G.	5	Nanaimo.....	3	6 00	.....	.....	6 00
REPRESENTATIVES.							
F. Carne, P. G. M.	1	Victoria.....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
W. E. Holmes.....	1	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
A. G. Day.....	1	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
A. Henderson.....	2	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
P. W. Dempster.....	2	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
S. Adler.....	2	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
P. J. Foulds.....	3	New West'mr.	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
R. F. Bonson.....	3	".....	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
G. Fowlie.....	4	Victoria.....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
G. Glover.....	4	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
G. Norris.....	5	Nanaimo.....	3	6 00	.....	.....	6 00
R. Rivers.....	5	".....	3	6 00	.....	.....	6 00
H. Scott.....	6	Wellington....	3	6 00	6	0 60	6 60
M. McDonald.....	6	".....	3	6 00	6	0 60	6 60
J. Peers.....	7	Chilliwack....	3	6 00	98	9 80	15 80
T. F. Neelands.....	8	Vancouver.....	3	6 00	36	3 60	9 60
W. E. Johnstone.....	8	".....	3	6 00	36	3 60	9 60
E. T. W. Pearse.....	9	Kamloops.....	3	6 00	287	28 70	34 70
A. Parker.....	10	Vancouver.....	3	6 00	36	3 60	9 60
H. B. Gilmour.....	10	".....	3	6 00	36	3 60	9 60
W. Mitchell.....	11	Union.....	3	6 00	65	6 50	12 50
A. Renzer.....	12	Donald.....	3	6 00	494	49 40	55 40
D. Welsh.....	13	New West'mr.	3	6 00	48	4 80	10 80
J. Wriglesworth, P. G. M.	4	Victoria.....	2	4 00	73	7 30	11 30
R. Roberts, P. G. M.	2	".....	3	6 00	73	7 30	13 30
E. Quennell, P. G. M.	5	Nanaimo.....	3	6 00	.....	.....	6 00
				208 00		\$ 237 30	445 30

W. E. HOLMES,
 SAMUEL ADLER,
 JOSEPH PEERS,
 Committee on Mileage.

The Committee on Finance presented the following Report, which was adopted :

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS :—Your Finance Committee beg to report that we have examined the books, vouchers and reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and find the same correct.

We would recommend that the Grand Secretary's salary be increased \$200, making the amount \$500 per annum, we find that his work is not only increasing very rapidly, but he

gets less salary in proportion to the membership than any Secretary on the Continent.

We would recommend that the *per capita* tax on the Subordinate Lodges be \$1.00 for the ensuing year ; 50 cents payable on the 30th June, and 50 cents payable on the 31st December.

ESTIMATE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

REVENUE.

Cash Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	\$ 922 86
<i>Per Capitu</i> Tax on 1430 Members @ \$1.00 each	1,430 00
	\$ 2,352 86

EXPENDITURE.

Sovereign Grand Lodge Tax.....	\$ 150 00
Grand Secretary's Salary.....	500 00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office.....	100 00
Printing.....	200 00
Digest for D. D. Grand Masters.....	40 00
Janitor.....	15 00
Regalia.....	200 00
Mileage and per diem.....	445 30
Picture of Grand Secretary.....	30 00
Postage.....	15 00
Caretaker of Grand Secretary's office.....	20 00
	1,715 30
Balance.....	\$ 637 57

Fraternally submitted,

H. WALLER,
GEO. NORRIS,
Committee.

Resolved,—That the Installation of Officers this evening be held in the Third Degree.

Moved, seconded and carried: That the picture of the Grand Secretary procured by a Resolution of the last Session of this Grand Lodge be presented to Brother Davey, to be disposed of by him as he may think proper.

Resolved,—That the Grand Representatives of this Grand

Lodge be instructed to vote for the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, allowing members to be admitted to the Order at 18 years of age.

Resolved,—That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn to 8:30 o'clock this evening.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled at 8:50 P. M. All the members present were reported duly qualified.

The Grand Secretary reported a quorum present and the Grand Lodge was declared open for business.

All the Officers and Representatives were reported present at Roll Call.

P. G. M. Waller thanked the Grand Lodge on behalf of the Grand Encampment for courtesies shown during the Session, in adjourning to enable the Grand Encampment to meet and transact its business.

The Grand Lodge was closed in the Grand Lodge Degree and re-opened in the Third Degree.

After the admission of the Third Degree members in waiting, the Grand Master requested P. G. M. Roberts, and P. G. M. Carne to present the Officers elect for Installation.

J. E. Phillips, No. 3, was presented and installed into the Office of Grand Master.

The Grand Master then installed the following Officers elect into their respective chairs :

J. Crossan, No. 5.....	as Deputy Grand Master.
T. C. Gray, No. 10.....	as Grand Warden.
F. Davey, No. 1.....	as Grand Secretary.
W. E. Holmes, No. 1.....	as Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Master appointed the following Brothers to fill the Subordinate Offices, who were duly installed :

E. T. W. Pearse, No. 9.....as Grand Chaplain.
D. Welsh, No. 13.....as Grand Marshall.
P. W. Dempster, No. 2.....as Grand Conductor.
W. H. Morton, No. 5.....as Grand Guardian.
W. Mitchell, No. 11.....as Grand Herald.

Also the following as District Deputy Grand Masters :

G. Fowlie, No. 4, for District No. 1.
R. F. Bonson, No. 3, for District No. 2.
M. Duffin, No. 5, for District No. 3.
M. McDonald, No. 6, for District No. 4.
J. Peers, No. 7, for District No. 5.
T. F. Neelands, No. 8, for District No. 6.
J. J. Carment, No. 9, for District No. 7.
W. J. Young, No. 11, for District No. 8.
A. Penzer, No. 12, for District No. 9.
G. H. Colwell, No. 16, for District No. 10.

Sister Mrs. Dempster, Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, for District No. 1.

Also the following as Grand Instructors :

G. Glover, No. 4, Victoria.
W. H. Gardnier, No. 13, New Westminster.
R. Rivers, No. 5, Nanaimo.
H. Mitchell, No. 6, Wellington.
R. Campbell, No. 7, Chilliwack.
J. Mather, No. 10, Vancouver.
S. Clarke, M. D., Kamloops.
G. W. Clinton, No. 11, Union.
R. Gordon, No. 12, Donald.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

FINANCE—**W. McColl**, P. G. M., No. 3; **H. Waller**, P. G. M., No. 2; **W. E. Johnstone**, No. 8.

APPEALS—**J. E. Phillips**, P. G. M., No. 4; **P. J. Foulds**, No. 3; **E. T. W. Pearse**, No. 9; **A. Henderson**, No. 2; **J. Pope**, No. 2.

LAWS OF SUBORDINATES—**F. Carne**, P. G. M., No. 1; **G. Glover**, No. 4; **P. W. Dempster**, No. 2; **A. G. Day**, No. 1; **R. Rivers**, No. 5.

PETITIONS—**R. F. Bonson**, No. 3; **R. Scott**, No. 6; **W. Mitchell**, No. 11.

STATE OF THE ORDER—J. Peers, No. 7; B. S. Douglas, No. 18; A. G. Day, No. 1.

LEGISLATION—G. Norris, No. 5; W. J. Kirfoot, No. 10; A. Penzer, No. 12.

JUDICIARY—B. W. Shiles, P. G. M., No. 3; J. A. Thompson, No. 6; J. Pope, No. 2.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—S. Adler, No. 2; R. E. Smith, No. 9; D. Welsh, No. 13.

PRINTING—Grand Secretary, G. Fowlie, No. 4; D. Douglas, No. 3.

The Third Degree members having retired, the Grand Lodge was closed in the Third and re-opened in the Grand Lodge Degree.

Resolved, That the appointments of the Grand Master be confirmed.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, for the use of the hall, etc., during this session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to retiring Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers for the efficient manner in which the business of the Grand Lodge has been conducted during the past year.

P. G. M., J. E. Phillips returned thanks for this expression of appreciation.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the members of "Black Diamond" Lodge, No. 5, for the royal manner in which they have entertained the members of this Grand Lodge during their stay in this city during this Session.

The minutes of this days Session were read and adopted.

Moved, seconded and carried, That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn *sine die*.

The Grand Chaplain offered prayer and the Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

FRED'K DAVEY,
Grand Secretary.



In Memoriam.



John Geo. Taylor, P. G.

Initiated in Victoria Lodge, No. 1,
I. O. O. F.
Victoria, 27th July, 1868.

DIED 19TH APRIL, 1891.

S. C. Mackintosh, P. G.

Joined N. Westminster Lodge, No. 3,
I. O. O. F. New Westminster.
By Deposit of Card 22nd Jan., 1885.

DIED 8TH JANUARY, 1892.

James Wilcox, P. G.

Initiated in Black Diamond Lodge,
No. 5, I. O. O. F.
Nanaimo, 21st August, 1875.

DIED 22ND MAY, 1891.

William Edmunds, P. G.

Initiated in Victoria Lodge, No. 1,
I. O. O. F.
Victoria, 21st February, 1887.
Charter Member of Tatnai Lodge, No.
9, I. O. O. F.
Kamloops, 16th May, 1887.

DIED 17TH JANUARY, 1892.

ABSTRACT OF REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES,
I. O. O. F., for Half Year ended

ABSTRACT OF REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F., for Half Year ended 30th June, 1891.

NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE.	LOCATION.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Error last Report.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Admitted as Ancient Oddfellows.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Deceased.	Ceased Member- ship by N. P. D.	Rejected.	Degreees Conferred.	No. of Past Grands.	No. of Members in good standing.	Revenue.
Victoria, No. 1.....	Victoria.....	Monday.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....	10	39	169	\$ 2188 00
Columbia, No. 2.....	Victoria.....	Wednesday.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	24	31	155	2322 99
New Westminster, No. 3.....	New Westminster.....	Friday.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	4	.....	12	23	108	924 00
Dominion, No. 4.....	Victoria.....	Thursday.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	4	.....	4	23	104	1080 84
Black Diamond, No. 5.....	Nanaimo.....	Wednesday.....	9	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	9	.....	22	21	126	1974 50
Harmony, No. 6.....	Wellington.....	Monday.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	3	2	4	12	132	1404 98
Excelsior, No. 7.....	Chilliwack.....	Tuesday.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	11	47	673 77
Vancouver, No. 8.....	Vancouver.....	Friday.....	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	36	8	97	1380 00
Tatnai, No. 9.....	Kamloops.....	Monday.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	1	6	1	18	8	75	792 15
Western Star, No. 10.....	Vancouver.....	Thursday.....	34	6	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	1	78	8	94	1061 75
Union, No. 11.....	Union.....	Friday.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	37	4	58	559 00
Selkirk, No. 12.....	Donald.....	Thursday.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	22	2	43	557 81
Royal City, No. 13.....	New Westminster.....	Thursday.....	1	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	72	558 00
			1	104	14	1	3	5	1	7	37	7	279	190	1275	\$15,137 79

ABSTRACT OF REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES
Under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F., for Half Year ended
31st December, 1891.

NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGES.	LOCATION.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Error last Report.	Initiated.	Admitted by (Chads.	Charter Members.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Resigned.	Deceased.	Cleared Member- ship by N P D.	Rejected.	Degrees Conferred.	No. of Past Grands.	No. of Members in good standing.	Revenue.	
Victoria, No. 1.....	Victoria.....	Monday.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	38	169	\$1616 25	
Columbia, No. 2.....	Victoria.....	Wednesday.....	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	32	162	1542 14	
New Westminster, No. 3.....	New Westminster.....	Friday.....	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	26	115	872 00	
Dominion, No. 4.....	Victoria.....	Thursday.....	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	26	24	109	968 50	
Black Diamond, No. 5.....	Nanaimo.....	Wednesday.....	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	22	135	2597 75	
Harmony, No. 6.....	Wellington.....	Monday.....	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	29	13	138	1242 43
Excelsior, No. 7.....	Chilliwack.....	Tuesday.....	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	13	51	361 00	
Vancouver, No. 8.....	Vancouver.....	Friday.....	9	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	32	8	100	925 00	
Tatnai, No. 9.....	Kamloops.....	Monday.....	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	7	11	6	68	621 75	
Western Star, No. 10.....	Vancouver.....	Thursday.....	18	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77	8	117	1046 00		
Union, No. 11.....	Union.....	Friday.....	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	56	405 00		
Selkirk, No. 12.....	Donald.....	Thursday.....	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	3	52	766 85	
Royal City, No. 13.....	New Westminster.....	Thursday.....	6	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	18	4	74	612 75	
Acme, No. 14.....	Victoria.....	Friday.....	27	4	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	6	56	481 00		
Cloverdale, No. 15.....	Cloverdale.....	Friday.....	23	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	48	1	28	410 00		
			1	153	16	30	10	2	1	6	24	6	383	207	1430	\$14453 47	

ABSTRACT OF THE ANNUAL RELIEF REPORTS
Of the Lodges Subordinate to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F.,
for the year ended 31st December, 1891.

ABSTRACT OF THE ANNUAL RELIEF REPORTS
Of the Lodges Subordinate to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F.,
for the year ended 31st December, 1891.

NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE.	No of Brothers Relieved.	No. of Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Brothers Buried.	No. of Wks. Sick Bene- fits Paid.	AMOUNT PAID FOR.				Total Relief Paid.	Amt. of Current Expenses	TOTAL ASSETS.
					Relief of Brothers.	Relief of Widowed Families.	Education for Orphans.	Burying the Dead.			
Victoria, No. 1	51	1	2	433	\$ 3,483 50	\$ 124 00		\$ 185 00	\$ 3,768 50	\$ 829 08	\$ 16,522 05
Columbia, No. 2	20		1	135	1,315 00			71 00	1,386 00	1,301 00	17,896 99
New Westminster, No. 3	8		1	50	424 00		50 00	75 00	549 00	806 05	13,000 00
Dominion, No. 4	12			76	671 50				671 50	803 23	10,000 00
Black Diamond, No. 5	15		1	58	495 50			75 00	570 50	3,194 70	12,000 00
Harmony, No. 6	34		1	183	1,686 75			150 50	1,837 25	764 50	5,000 00
Excelsior, No. 7	2			3	15 00				15 00	60 00	3,500 00
Vancouver, No. 8	8		2	32	223 00			100 00	323 00	901 37	4,162 31
Tatnai, No. 9	2		2	9	90 00			150 00	240 00	784 70	2,491 65
Western Star, No. 10	12			61	549 00				549 00	1,076 80	1,594 80
Union, No. 11	1			3	30 00				30 00	54 50	1,735 17
Selkirk, No. 12	5		1	52	462 45			75 00	537 45	304 83	1,551 93
Royal City, No. 13	1			5	50 00				50 00	1,040 10	1,269 00
Acme, No. 14										100 41	481 00
Cloverdale, No. 15										86 10	332 45
	171	1	11	1100	\$ 9,525 70	\$ 120 00	\$ 50 00	\$ 881 50	\$10,577 20	\$12,107 57	\$ 91,478 35

ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF REBEKAH LODGES

Under the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F., for year ending 31st December, 1891.

NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE.	LOCATION.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Members admitted dur- ing year.		Total No. of Members.		Receipts.	Lodge Expenses.	Assets.
			Bros.	Sisters.	Bros.	Sisters.			
Colfax, No. 1.....	Victoria.....	2nd & 4th Tuesday....	18	5	72	40	\$ 185 75	\$ 135 20	\$ 196 45
Mizpah, No. 2.....	Vancouver.....	1st & 3rd Tuesday.....	19	14	19	14	112 00	71 00	40 40
Miriam, No. 3.....	Nanaimo.....	Every alt. Tuesday....	39	22	39	21	106 75	53 95	52 80
Ruth, No. 4.....	Chilliwack.....	Every alt. Monday....	22	13	22	13	26 00	24 00	2 00
Beulah, No. 5.....	New Westminster.....	2nd & 4th Wednesday.	27	20	27	20	58 50	10 00	48 50
			125	73	179	108	459 00	294 75	340 15

LIST OF OFFICERS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, I. O. O. F.,
Of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia for the term commencing January 1st, 1892.

LIST OF OFFICERS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, I. O. O. F.,
Of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia for the term commencing January 1st, 1892.

Name and No. of Lodge.	Location.	Noble Grand.	Vice Grand.	Recording Secretary	Treasurer.	Permanent Secretary.
Victoria, No. 1	Victoria	C. W. Ross	A. J. Clyde	F. Davey, P G	A. Phillips, P G	F. Davey, P G
Columbia, No. 2	do	C. Maynard	J. Pottinger	R. W. Fawcett, P G	A. Henderson, P G	W. Jackson
New Westminster No. 3	New Westminster	F. H. Meyer	R. Wilson	J. A. Muir	P. J. Foulds, P G	J. L. Caldwell
Dominion, No. 4	Victoria	G. Jeeves	E. Bragg	T. Bamford, P G	P. A. Babington, P G	T. Bamford, P G
Black Diamond, No. 5	Nanaimo	R. Gourlay	T. Holdnoll	W. H. Morton, P G	J. Crossan, P G	W. H. Morton, P G
Harmony, No. 6	Wellington	L. Mounce	R. Bailey	H. Woodhouse	.....	.....
Excelsior, No. 7	Chilliwack	E. A. Kipp	J. Banks	A. H. Gillanders	J. McCutcheon, P G	J. Peers, P G
Vancouver, No. 8	Vancouver	D. Menzies	S. Hollander	H. H. Davis	T. F. Neelands	A. J. Mould
Tatnai, No. 9	Kamloops	J. Blair	J. Aikens	E. T. W. Pearce, P G	J. Vair	E. T. W. Pearce, P G
Western Star, No. 10	Vancouver	A. McAllister	W. Davis	J. Webster	J. Flett	J. Hurliman
Union, No. 11	Union	A. Cessford	H. G. Reed	W. J. Young, P G	A. McKnight	W. J. Young, P G
Selkirk, No. 12	Donald	R. Urquhart	J. C. Fitts	R. Gordon, P G	A. W. Denman	R. Gordon, P G
Royal City, No. 13	New Westminster	C. S. Keith	W. B. Townsend	W. H. Lewis	E. Bloomfield	R. McLeod
Acme, No. 14	Victoria	W. H. Cullin	G. Corson	S. W. Edwards	J. Jackson	T. Tubman
Cloverdale, No. 15	Cloverdale	H. F. Thrift	B. B. Smith	W. McDonagh	W. Murray	J. C. Murphy
Kootenay, No. 16	Nelson	J. H. Matheson	G. W. Aldous	W. Hodson	J. F. Hume	W. Hodson
Duncan, No. 17	Duncan	C. H. Dickie	A. Cheyne	J. Norwood	W. J. Vanley	J. Norwood

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OFFICERS OF REBEKAH LODGES Under Jurisdiction of Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I. O. O. F., for term commencing 1st January, 1892.

NAME AND NO. OF LODGE.	Noble Grand.	Vice Grand.	Secretary.	Treasurer.	Permanent Secretary.
Colfax, No. 1.....	Mrs. Amelia Bishop	Miss Alice Gosnell	Miss Agnes Huxtable	Mrs. Jane H. Waller	Miss Agnes Huxtable
Mizpah, No. 2.....	Miss Cassie A. Barnes	Mrs. Janet Polley	Miss Sarah Campbell	Mrs. Elizabeth Hogg	Miss Maggie Barnes
Miriam, No. 3.....	Mrs. George Ramsay	Mrs. S. F. Whiteside	Miss Isabel Fulton	Mrs. Geo. Cavalsky	Mrs. Robert Gourley
Ruth, No. 4.....	Mrs. Alice Bradshaw	Miss Gertrude Kipp	Bro. W. M. Wood	Bro. J. McCutcheon	Bro. J. McDonald
Beulah, No. 5.....	Miss Mary Douglas	Mrs. L. H. Baker	Mrs. Bertha Clarke	Mrs. S. J. Pearse	Miss Emily B. Grant

PAST GRAND MASTERS

—OF THE—

Grand Lodge of British Columbia, I.O.O.F.

*J. S. DRUMMOND.....	1874.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
JOHN WEILER.....	1875.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
†J. P. DAVIES.....	1876.....	Columbia Lodge, No. 2
R. ROBERTS.....	1877.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
‡W. J. JEFFREE.....	1878.....	Columbia Lodge, No. 2
CHARLES GOWEN.....	1879.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
J. WRIGLESWORTH...	1880.....	Dominion Lodge, No. 4
B. W. SHILES.....	1881.....	New Westminster Lodge, No. 3
HENRY WALLER.....	1882.....	Columbia Lodge, No. 2
ALEXANDER PHILLIPS...	1883.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
W. D. McKILLICAN....	1884.....	Dominion Lodge, No. 4
WM. McCOLL.....	1885.....	New Westminster Lodge, No. 3
FRED'K CARNE.....	1886.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
JOSHUA DAVIES.....	1887.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
JOSHUA DAVIES (re-elected)...	1888.....	Victoria Lodge, No. 1
J. H. MELDRAM.....	1889.....	Columbia Lodge, No. 2
E. QUENNEL.....	1890.....	Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5
J. E. PHILLIPS.....	1891.....	Dominion Lodge, No. 4

*Died 6th February, 1884.

†Died 20th September, 1879.

‡Died 18th March, 1885.

ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND OFFICERS

—OF THE—

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, I. O. O. F.

J. E. PHILLIPS.....	Grand Master.....	New Westminster
JAMES CROSSAN.....	Deputy Grand Master.....	Nanaimo
T. C. GRAY.....	Grand Warden.....	Vancouver
FRED'K DAVEY.....	" Secretary, P.O. Box 481.....	Victoria
W. E. HOLMES.....	" Treasurer.....	Victoria
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R. W. SHILES, P.G.M.....	" ".....	New Westminster
E. T. W. PEARSE.....	" Chaplain.....	Kamloops
D. WELSH.....	" Marshal.....	New Westminster
P. W. DEMPSTER.....	" Conductor.....	Victoria
W. H. MORTON.....	" Guardian.....	Nanaimo
W. MITCHELL.....	" Herald.....	Union

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

District No. 1.....	G. FOWLIE.....	Victoria
" No. 2.....	R. F. BONSON.....	New Westminster
" No. 3.....	M. DUFFIN.....	Nanaimo
" No. 4.....	M. McDONALD.....	Wellington
" No. 5.....	J. PEERS.....	Chilliwack
" No. 6.....	T. F. NEWLANDS.....	Vancouver
" No. 7.....	J. J. CARMENT.....	Kamloops
" No. 8.....	W. J. YOUNG.....	Union
" No. 9.....	A. PENZER.....	Donald
" No. 10.....	G. H. COLWELL.....	Nelson
" No. 1.....	Rebekah Degree Lodges, Sister MRS. DEMPSTER.....	Victoria

GRAND INSTRUCTORS.

G. GLOVER, No. 4.....	Victoria
W. H. GARDINER, No. 13.....	New Westminster
R. RIVERS, No. 5.....	Nanaimo
H. MITCHELL, No. 6.....	Wellington
R. CAMPBELL, No. 7.....	Chilliwack
J. MATHER, No. 10.....	Vancouver
G. W. CLINTON, No. 11.....	Union
S. CLARKE, M. D., No. 9.....	Kamloops
R. GORDON, No. 12.....	Donald

~~The~~ The next Annual Session of the Grand Lodge will be held at New Westminster on Wednesday, the 8th day of February, 1893.

SUPPLIES.

The following rates will be charged for Supplies, all Orders for which must be signed by the Secretary and bear the Seal of the Lodge:—

Subordinate Lodge Rituals.....	\$3 00
Ritual for Rebekah Degree Lodges <i>only</i>	3 00
Visiting and Withdrawal Cards and Dismissal Certificates.....	25
Visiting and Withdrawal Cards for Rebekah Degree Lodges.....	25
Book of Forms.....	1 25
Books of Odes with music.....	1 00
White's Digest.....	3 50
Lodge Odes (Subordinate and Rebekah).....	05
Anniversary Odes.....	05
Funeral Hymns, with Responses.....	05
Funeral Ceremony.....	30
Anniversary Ceremony.....	20
Burial Ceremony, Daughter of Rebekah.....	20
Certificates of Membership, on Plate paper.....	75
Rebekah Certificate, on Plate paper.....	30
Officers, Roll Book.....	1 25
Question Book.....	1 50
Order on Treasurer's Book, 250 orders.....	1 50
Initiation Petitions, form recommended by S. G. L. (per 100).....	1 50
Subordinate Lodge Degree Chart.....	3 00
Round Proceedings, Grand Lodge of B. C., 1874 to 1885.....	2 00
Subordinate Lodge Floor Work.....	50
Rebekah Degree Floor Work.....	50
Constitution of Subordinate Lodges.....	05

